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# REPORTS

...of the...

TOWN OF WENDELL, MASS.



For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31st

1924



# ANNUAL REPORT

---OF THE----

# TOWN OF WENDELL

SELECTMEN, OVERSEERS OF POOR, TREAS-URER AND TOWN CLERK

Together with the Report of School Committee,
Library Trustees, Cemetery Commissioners,
Assessors and Auditor

—FOR THE—

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st

1924

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# Selectmen's Report for 1924

### TO THE CITIZENS OF WENDELL:

Total amount of money appropriated	\$15310 00
Number of orders issued, 856, amounting to	14194 57

### For the following purposes:

Salaries of Town Officers	\$ 735	00
Town debts and charges	1172	14
Highways' maintenance	7050	11
State Improved road	1475	00
Bridges	574	02
Snow bills	72	05
Library	77	00
Overseers of the Poor	896	61
Board of Health	350	12
Repairs to town hall and vault	591	20
Cemeteries	61	55
Fire bills	10	05
State aid	72	00
Suppression of moths	146	40
Red Cross Nurse	250	00
Wood shed for town hall	240	95

Electric lights	\$ 53	28	
Workmen's insurance	172		
Memorial Day	40		
Farm Bureau Extension Service		00	
Bonding Town Officers		00	
Tax Collector, ½ salary for 1924	75		
			\$14194 57
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SALARIES OF TOWN OF	FICER	S	
Elias Richardson, auditor 1923	\$ 10	00	
Charles M. Ballou, selectman	125	00	
Charles H. Jennison, selectman	75	00	
Albert C. Merchant, selectman to July 30	40	00	
Charles M. Ballou, overseer of the poor			
and board of health	75	00	
Charles H. Jennison, overseer of the poor	25	00	
Tremaine W. Whelpley, town clerk	100	00	
Fred C. White, treasurer	125	00	
Charles M. Ballou, chairman, assessor	30	00	
Ozro D. Baker, assessor	25	00	
Tremaine W. Whelpley, clerk, assssor	50	00	
John W. Moran, constable	20	00	
Curtis E. Tucker, forest warden	25	00	
Curtis E. Tucker, sealer of weights and			
measures	10	00	
<u> </u>			\$735 00
MAINTENANCE OF RO	DADS		
Charles H. Jennison, labor and team	\$669	85	
Frank E. Ballou, team	601	40	
Caleb Carey, team	439	80	
Henry P. Champlin, team	560	40	

Edwin D. Austin town	7100	0.0
Edwin D. Austin, team	\$108	
Alvin Fiske, team		80
Joseph Brulotte, labor and teams	70	
Anthony J. Stone, labor and team	203	
Ozro D. Baker, labor and team	215	
George Merchant, labor and team	111	
Clesson Wyman, labor and team	74	
Charles H. Bean, labor and team	211	
John A. Sandberg, labor	180	
John W. Moran, labor	319	
Edward Bezio, labor	32	
Charles W. Hibbard, labor	13	
E. R. Hutchinson, labor	118	
Clarence Carey, labor	167	
Marvin Ellis, labor	_	40
Stephen Sandberg, labor	71	
Fred W. Grew, labor	26	
Leon Farmer, labor		40
E. J. Taylor, labor	52	
Frank Taylor, labor	280	00
Alfred Chapman, labor	130	
Robert Wood, labor	29	25
George Weatherby, labor	44	80
George Farnsworth, labor	20	80
Curtis E. Tucker, labor	16	
Walerie Wirth, labor	175	
Frank Kent, labor	233	20
Jesse Lock, labor	35	20
Lester Granger, labor	48	00
Gilbert Bradshaw, labor	37	60
Morton Oliver, labor	12	80
E. M. Sibley, labor	22	40
Andrew Fox, labor	39	60
William Glidden, labor	92	00

Frank N. York, labor	\$ 28 80
Glenn O. Ellis, labor	4 80
Robert Shirley, labor	$150 \ 40$
Adelbert Merchant, labor	28 00
Lorenzo Gould, labor	10 40
Morton Oliver, labor	4 40
David Lock, labor	54 40
W. C. Wyman, labor	30 00
Arthur King, labor	37 60 194 50
Charles Day, labor  Edward Glidden, labor	24 00
Burt Richards, labor	19 20
Charles A. Fiske, labor.	103 20
Frank Major, labor	25 60
George E. Mills, labor	19 20
George E. Mills, Jr., labor	19 20
Zina Carey, labor	8 00
Wm. H. Wyman, labor	9 60
Charles M. Ballou, labor	15 20
L. M. Touhl, labor	4 80
O. K. Hedger, labor	10 80
Elias Richardson, labor	41 60
Earl Hewey, labor	6 40
William Austin, labor	6 40
Samuel Bartlett, labor	9 60
William Ballou, labor	17 40
Peter Drowduski, labor	5 40
Louis Drowduski, labor	2 80
W. H. Davis, labor	25 60
Rudolph Gerstel, labor	19 20
	8 00
Alton Lillie, auto	- 0 00

## MATERIAL

New England Machine Co., scraper parts.	\$ 2	35	
Orange Hardware Co., tools	25	56	
New England Metal Culvert Co., scraper			
parts and culverts	226	60	
Berger Manufacturing Co., culverts	138	72	
Good Roads Machine Co., scraper parts	8	61	
Wendell Depot Garage, drawing culverts.	10	00	
Orange Hardware Co., road supplies	10	10	
T. W. Whelpley, gravel	4	00	
Plin H. Weatherby, gravel	4	00	
Charles H. Jennison, gravel	8	70	
Lewis B. Bowen, gravel	17	70	•
Charles M. Ballou, gravel	27	20	
Josephine Ballou, gravel		8.0	
Ozro D. Baker, gravel	10	50	
Charles H. Jennison, repairs to scraper.	4	00	
Henry P. Champlin, iron bar	2	14	
Charles H. Jennison, tools	13	20	
Austin Road Machine Co., plow share			
and point	9	50	
Charles M. Ballou, express and postage	2	33	
F. I. Webster & Co., dynamite fuse and			
caps	31	35	
H. P. Chamberlin, 2 picks	1:	50	
Charles H. Jennison, sharpening tools	1	20	
Charles H. Jennison, sledge handles		80	
Charles H. Jennison, string	1	00	
Charles H. Jennison, fuse	1	30	
Total	<del></del>		\$7050) 11
Ai-di-m	\$3525	00	
Appropriation	3525		
Allotment from State	00,20		\$7050 00
Total			ψ1000 30·

## STATE IMPROVED ROAD

# Under Section 34 Chapter 90.

Charles H. Jennison, labor	\$	95	70
Charles Day, labor		46	00
John W. Moran, labor		28	80
Edward Glidden, labor		49	00
Frank Kent, labor		38	40
William Glidden, labor		16	00
Gilbert Bradshaw, labor		14	80
Walerie Wirth, labor		35	20
Alfred Chapman, labor		32	80
Clarence Carey, labor		35	20
E. R. Hutchinson, labor		32	00
Robert Shirley, labor		32	00
George Weatherby, labor		12	80
Burt Richards, labor		41	60
Frank Taylor, labor		48	00
Glenn O. Ellis, labor		6	40
Charles A. Fiske, labor		6	40
William Austin, labor		38	40
Arthur Fournier, labor		9	60
Morton Oliver, labor		22	40
E. J. Taylor, labor		16	00
Andrew Fox, labor		35	20
Charles M. Ballou, labor		31	20
Charles H. Bean, labor		12	80
Caleb Carey, team	1	22	40
Alvin Fiske, team	2	244	80
Frank Ballou, team	1	22	40
Edwin D. Austin, team	1	22	40
Henry P. Champlin, team		79	20
Joel Tucker, stone		3	00

Ozro D. Baker, gravel	\$16 00	
Charles M. Ballou, gravel	28 10	
-		\$1475 00
Appropriation	\$475 00	
Allotment from State	500 00	
Allotment from County	500 00	
Total -		\$1475 00
BRIDGES		
Town of Erving, bridge plank	\$ 1 48	
Susie L. Bean, bridge stringers	9 00	
New England Box Co., bridge plank	119 25	
Carroll Cutter, bridge plank	172 89	
Dennis & Rowe, bridge stringers	15 00	
Carroll Cutter, bridge plank	27 90	
Charles H. Bean, bridge timber	65 85	
Charles H. Jennison, labor and team	24 20	
Charles H. Bean, labor and team	51 25	
E. R. Hutchinson, labor	10 40	
Caleb Carey, labor and team	14 40	
Clarence Carey, labor	3 20	
Frank N. York, labor	3 20	
A. J. Stone, labor	3 20	
O. D. Baker, labor	3 60	
John W. Moran, labor	30 00	
Wilford Davis, labor	1 60	
Charles Day, labor	1 60	
C. M. Ballou, fence posts	7 00	
C. H. Jennison, fence posts	4 00	
Geo. R. Carpenter, fuse and caps	5 00	
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Appropriation \$750.00

#### SNOW BILLS

George A. Merchant	\$ 3	00
Charles H. Bean	5	25
Charles H. Jennison	22	20
Caleb Carey	15	60
Walter C. Oliver	6	15
Albert C. Merchant	5	00
Andrew Fox	1	20
Ellsworth J. Taylor	1	60
Frank Ballou		80
Lorenzo Gould	1	00
Alfred S. Chapman	5	85
Henry P. Champlin	3	60
Samuel Bartlett		80
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# Appropriation \$750.00

### TOWN DEBTS AND CHARGES

Frank E. Ballou, inspection of meat	\$ 48	00
Frank E. Ballou, general inspection of		
stables	50	00
Charles M. Ballou, moderator March 3.	3	00
Marion E. Whitney, teller March 3	3	00
John A. Sandberg, teller March 3	3	00
James C. Turner, ballot clerk March 3	3	00
Fred J. Stange, ballot clerk March 3	3	00
F. O. Johnson, insurance	4	02
J. S. Whitman, voting lists, ballots and		
town reports	124	40
Curtis E. Tucker, oil and chimneys, town		
hall	1	34

Chas. W. Hibbard, looking up fire equip-		
ment	\$ 2	00
P. B. Murphy, dog license book and pos-		
ters	2	95
P. B. Murphy, assessors' supplies	5	55
Walter C.Oliver, cutting and drawing wood		
for town hall	52	00
E. J. Taylor, sawing wood for town hall.	5	70
Frank Taylor, sawing wood for town hall.	5	70
Alec Satrowski, sawing wood for town		
hall	14	25
Carter Ink Co., record ink	2	75
E. J. Taylor, digging grave	5	00
Hobbs & Warren, assessors' tax lists	4	11
Cecil T. Bagnall, town order blanks	6	49
Marion E. Whitney, Primary election		
officers	2	00
James C. Turner, Primary election officer	2	00
James D. Kimball & Co., insurance on		
weights and measures	48	90
Minott Printing & Binding Co., cloth		
posters	6	30
Thomas Finnegan, drawing logs	5	00
Glenn O. Ellis, drawing logs and lumber		00
Walter C. Oliver, cutting logs	6	00
Cecil T. Bagnall & Co., poll tax bills and		
letter heads	6	35
J. S. Whitman, tax bills and letter heads	9	75
Hobbs & Warren, tax collector cash book	3	62
Fred C. White, postage and envelopes		22
Fred C. White, care town hall	4	50
Curtis E. Tucker, oil and chimneys, town		
hall	_	24
E. L. Lewis, insurance on library	<b>2</b> 3	10

James C. Turner, ballot clerk September 9	\$ 2	00
Marion E. Whitney, ballot clerk Septem-		
ber 9	2	00
Ernest S. Putnam, supplies	2	85
Elias Richardson, stamps, tax collector	7	00
Frank Kent, putting wood in shed	10	00
James C. Turner, ballot clerk November 4	3	00
Marion E. Whitney, ballot clerk Novem-		
ber 4	3	00
Charles Day, ballot clerk November 4	3	00
Fred J. Stange, ballot clerk, November 4	3	00
P. B. Murphy, registration blanks and en-		
velopes	4	75
J. S. Whitman, tax collector's notices	6	00
Orange Lumber Co., shingles, etc., for		
Johnson house at Montague	64	50
T. W. Whelpley, services as clerk to select-		
men and overseers of the poor	50	00
C. Tucker, oil for town hall	2	12
C. M. Ballou, cash paid, postage, tele-		
phone, use of auto, etc	28	56
Elias Richardson, tax collector, postage.	3	00
J. F. Higgins & Co., death return		25
Wm. H. Barr Printing Co., town warrants	8	34
T. W. Whelpley, recording births, mar-		
riages and deaths	18	00
T. W. Whelpley, cash paid, auto, postage,		
telephone, etc., as town clerk	21	07
T. W. Whelpley, justice fees	5	25
T. W. Whelpley, qualifying town officers.	5	50
T. W. Whelpley, auto, postage, telephone,		
etc., as clerk of assessors	6	85
George A. Strong, inspecting meat	12	
C. M. Ballou, inspecting meat	8	00

Frank E. Ballou, inspecting meat	\$ 18 50	
Frank E. Ballou, balance due for salary for collecting taxes 1922	75 00	
Frank E. Ballou, tax collector, abatement	75 00	
1921 taxes	28 18	
Frank E. Ballou, tax collector, abatement		
1922 taxes	$135 \ 23$	
Frank E. Ballou, tax collector, abatement		
1923 taxes	37 15	
Frank E. Ballou, postage and envelopes	0.00	
1923	3 00	
Frank E. Ballou, tax collector, abatement 1920 taxes	4 12	
Elias Richardson, tax collector, abate-	4 12	
ment 1924 taxes	70 90	
Fred C. White, postage and envelopes	10 58	
Fred C. White, care town hall	7 50	
Elias Richardson, abatement 1924 taxes.	17 20	
-		\$1172 14
LIBRARY		
Marion E. Whitney, services as librarian	\$52 00	
Walter C. Oliver, cutting and drawing	15 20	
wood E. J. Taylor, sawing wood	80	
Frank Taylor, sawing wood	1 60	
Alec Satrowski, sawing wood	4 00	
Edson Dunnican, cutting and putting in		
wood	3 40	
Appropriation \$100.00		
MEMORIAL DAY		

## FARM BUREAU EXTENSION SERVICE

Franklin County Extension Service, appropriation	\$35	00
BONDING TOWN OFFICE	CERS	
J. D. IV: 1-11 0 C. 4		
James D. Kimball & Co., town treasurer's	ФОО	0.0
bond	\$20	00
James D. Kimball & Co., tax collector's		
bond	25	00
Appropriation \$75.00		
REPAIRS TO TOWN HALL AN	ND VA	AULT
Alfred S. Chapman, cleaning brick	\$ 23	
Edson Dunnican, cleaning brick	27	70
Frank E. Ballou, fence posts and cleaning		
up shingles	22	15
Frank E. Ballou, carting gravel	22	40
Charles M. Ballou, gravel	7	50
Orange Hardware Co., lime and cement	29	60
Thomas Bros., brick	25	00
Charles M. Ballou, labor	48	
Charles A. Fiske, board and transporta-		
tion Eugene Lehrman	44	70
T. W. Whelpley, inspecting building of		• •
vault and labor on door	12	00
John A. Sandberg, labor on vault	81	
Eugene E. Lehrman, labor on vault	168	
Charles W. Hibbard, labor on town hall	100	00
	45	00
and vault	45 11	
Charles M. Ballou, lumber Orange Hardware Co., pails and hardware	8	
Orange pardware Co., naus and pardware	ð	10

Orange Lumber Co., lumber	\$12 1	94 70		
			\$591	20
2.				
Balance 1923 appropriation	\$236			
1924 appropriation	350	00		
-			\$586	04
•				
CEMETERIES				
John A. Sandberg, labor at Center ceme-				
tery	\$ 4	80		
Frank Taylor, labor at Center cemetery	6	00		
Charles H. Jennison, labor at South ceme-				
tery	_	00		
John B. Quist, labor at Center cemetery	33	00		
Orange Hardware Co., paint for Center				
cemetery	_	75		
C. M. Ballou, services as commissioner	10	00	0.01	
<del>-</del>		_	\$61	99
FIRE BILLS				
Ernest Taylor, labor	\$	80		
Frank Kent, labor	1	00		
Fred Jolly, labor		80		
Curtis E. Tucker, labor		80		
George Cogswell, labor		80		
Mrs. Francis Newhall, labor		80		
Samuel Bartlett, labor		80		
Marvin Ellis, truck and labor		00		
Curtis E. Tucker, soda	2	25	010	0.5
-			\$10	05

### STATE AID

State aid	\$72	00
SUPPRESSION OF MOTHS		
George E. Mills, labor		
George E. Mills, Jr., labor		
Joe C. Bacigalupo, labor	Ø14C	40
Appropriation \$300.00	\$146	40
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RED CROSS NURSE		
Paid Miss Ruth Upton to April 1 \$ 62 50 Paid Mrs. Genevieve C. Keough to Jan-		
uary 1	<b>@0</b> 50	00
Appropriation \$250.00	\$250	00
WOOD SHED FOR TOWN HALL		
Charles M. Ballou, cash paid sawing lum-		
ber \$ 10 00		
Orange Lumber Co., lumber, etc 101 88		
Chas. A. Fiske, labor		
Chas. M. Ballou, lumber		
Robert F. Wood, labor		
Robert F. Wood, materials 6 00		
Orange Hardware Co., nails, etc 6 00	00.45	
Appropriation \$200.00	\$240	95

# ELECTRIC LIGHTS

Athol Gas & Electric Co	\$53 28	8
WORKMEN'S INSURANCE		
E. L. Lewis, workmen's insurance policy. \$131 65 E. L. Lewis, adjusting workmen's insur-		
ance policy	- \$1 <b>7</b> 2 09	1
Appropriation \$200.00	9172 US	,
COLLECTION OF TAXES		
Elias Richardson, half salary for 1924 Appropriation \$150.00	\$75 00	)
CASH ASSETS, JANUARY 1, 1925		
Due from State, State aid \$ 72 00		
Due from State, poor department 110 00		
Due from uncollected taxes, 1923 317 06		
Due from uncollected taxes, 1924 136 58		
Deposit in Shelburne Falls Savings Bank 718 63		
Deposit in Crocker Institute for Savings 30 07		
Deposit in Greenfield Savings Bank 30 07		
Deposit in Franklin Savings Institution 85 46		
Deposit in Orange Savings Bank 107 78		
Deposit in Athol Savings Bank 87 41		
Deposit in Orange National Bank 10829 31		
Deposit in Liberty Bond, special fund 3000 00		
- Madiguitation and the second	\$15524 37	7

## OTHER RESOURCES

Deposit in Orange Savings Bank, library				
fund	\$ 146	52	-	
Deposit in Orange Savings Bank, library				
special fund	205	87		
Deposit in Orange Savings Bank, school				
fund	291	89		
Deposit, Liberty Bond, school fund	1000	00		
Deposit, Mary N. Phelps, bank book,				
cemetery fund	219	67		
Deposit, Almond Locke, bank book,				
cemetery fund	160	86		
Deposit, Jane E. Williams, bank book,				
cemetery fund	105	58		
Deposit, W. H. Sawyer, bank book,				
cemetery fund	109	32		
Deposit, Harrison W. Ballard, bank				
book, cemetery fund	294	44		
Deposit, Mark Bullard of Greenfield,				
bank book, cemetery fund	100	00		
Town Farm timber lots	3000	00		
J. W. Watson, estate, land of	25	00		
Phelps wood lots	250	00		
			\$5909	15

CHARLES M. BALLOU, Selectmen of CHARLES H. JENNISON, Wendell.

# Report of Overseers of Poor

No. 54.	Aid rendered	\$104 37 40 00	
No. 64.	Aid rendered	110 00	
No. 68.	Aid rendered	306 29	
No. 69.	Aid rendered	105 00	
No. 70.	Aid rendered	14 00	
No. 71.	Aid rendered	50 00	
No. 72.	Aid rendered	166 95	
			\$896 61
			110 00
Net	expense of Poor		\$786 61
Due from	n state	\$110 00	

CHAS. M. BALLOU, Overseers of CHAS. H. JENNISON, the Poor.

February 17, 1924

This is to certify that I have examined the books of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Wendell for the year ending December 31, 1924 and found them correct.

MARION E. WHITNEY, Auditor

# Report of Board of Health

Case of Reginald Lyman family:	*			
Board of self and children	\$35	00		
Fumigators	1	00	\$36	00
Case of Warren Taylor family:				
C. E. Tucker, provisions	\$ 5	00		
H. R. Mahar, M. D., professional ser-				
vices	10	00		
	·		\$15	00
Case of Walerie Wirth family:				
C. E. Tucker, provisions while under				
quarantine	\$83	16		
O. K. Hedger, carting provisions	27	00		
Kirk L. Alexander, M. D., professional				
services	7	50		
H. R. Mahar, M. D., professional ser-				
vices	17	00		
F. E. Johnson, M. D., fumigating W.				
Wirth's	5	00		
			\$139	66
Case John A. Sandberg family:				
Board while under quarantine	\$37	00	\$37	00
•				

Case of Wallace G. Brown family:		
E. S. Putnam, provisions while under		
quarantine	\$39 74	
H. M. Haskins, grain and hay while		
under quarantine	74 57	
		\$114 31
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A. M. Cheney, fumigators	\$8 15	\$8 15
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,		\$350 12
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CHARLES M. BALLOU, Board of CHARLES H. JENNISON, Health.

# Town Treasurer's Report

# FRED C. WHITE, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENDELL

#### RECEIPTS

Cash in treasury, January, 1924	\$10357	34
Received from state,		
District supervision of school	192	64
Transportation of high school pupils	216	37
Corporation tax, public service	5521	21
Corporation tax, business	787	34
Income tax	1447	37
State Aid	72	00
Soldiers' exemption		69
Civilian war poll tax, 1923	21	00
Surplus war bonus fund	205	87
Reimbursement of loss of taxes	276	99
Temporary aid	245	00
Inspections of animals	25	00
Highway repairs	4025	00
County treasurer, dog tax	69	35
County treasurer, for roads	500	00
Clerk of county court	30	00

County treasurer	\$ 5	00
Orange Savings bank, on note No. 6	2500	00
Orange Savings bank, Library fund	29	77
Treasurer of School Department for		
Massachusetts Teachers' retire-		
ment board	47	50
E. S. Putnam, pool table license		00
T. W. Whelpley, auctioneer's license		00
Nelson A. Brewer, junk dealer's		00
license	5	00
Sealer of weights and measures	6	43
Orange National bank, interest	163	09
Effie Bowen for fines and pears sold.	8	53
Rent of hall	54	00
Almon C. Lock, cemetery fund	7	86
Mary W. Phelps, cemetery fund	11	88
Harrison W. Ballard, cemetery fund	28	81
W. H. Sawyer, cemetery fund	7	00
Orange Savings bank, school fund.	471	28
U. S. Treasurer, interest on Liberty		
loan	127	50
U. S. Treasurer, interest on School		
Liberty loan	42	50
Frank E. Ballou, poll taxes of 1922	116	00
Frank E. Ballou, real estate taxes		
of 1922	289	06
Frank E. Ballou, real estate taxes		
of 1923	657	07
Elias Richardson, poll taxes of 1924	218	00
Elias Richardson, real estate taxes		
of 1924	9425	85
Elias Richardson, interest of taxes,		
1924	5	04

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### PAYMENTS

Paid state treasurer, state tax	\$1600	00		
Orange Savings bank, Note No 6	,			
and interest	2535	77		
Theodore W. Waddell, director of				
accounts	2	00		
County treasurer, county tax	2163	56		
Massachusetts teachers' retirement				
board	47	50		
Mary E. White, treasurer school de-				
partment appropriation for schools	6471	28		
M. W. Carroll, deputy sheriff, case	02.			
2539	21	25		
W. F. Adams, deputy sheriff, cases				
2424, 2537	3	10		
Interest on School Liberty loan	ŭ	50		
-		•		
Curtis Tucker, sealing scales		00		
Books and work done on library		77		
Orange Savings bank, for library	77	88		
Orange Savings bank, special library				
fund	205	87		
Orange National bank		98		
856 orders amounting to	14194	57		
Cash on hand	10829	31		
-			\$38226	34

Respectfully submitted,

FRED C. WHITE, Town Treasurer.

February 19, 1925.

This is to certify that I have examined the books and report of Fred C. White, treasurer of the town of Wendell for the year ending December 31, 1924, and found them correct.

MARION E. WHITNEY, Auditor.

# Town Clerk's Report

#### TOWN OFFICERS

#### SELECTMEN

Charles M. Ballou, Chairman Charles H. Jennison Albert C. Merchant, to July 30 Wendell Locks Village Farley

#### OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Charles M. Ballou Charles H. Jennison Albert C. Merchant, to July 30 Wendell Locks Village Farley

#### TOWN CLERK

Tremaine W. Whelpley

Wendell

#### TOWN TREASURER

Fred C. White

Wendell Depot

#### TAX COLLECTOR

Elias Richardson

Wendell

#### AUDITOR

Marion E. Whitney

Wendell Depot

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mary E. White, Secretary

Emma Wood, Chairman

Plin H. Weatherby

Term expires 1927

Term expires 1926

Term expires 1925

#### CONSTABLE

John W. Moran

Wendell

#### ASSESSORS

Ozro D. Baker	Term expires	1927
Charles M. Ballou, Chairman	Term expires	1926
Tremaine W. Whelpley, Clerk	Term expires	1925

#### CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

Charles H. Jennison	Term expires	1927
Charles M. Ballou	Term expires	1926
John B. Quist	Term expires	1925

#### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Frank E. Ballou	Term expires 1927	
Effie L. Bowen	Term expires 1926	,
Charles M. Ballou	Term expires 1925	)

#### TREE WARDEN

George E. Mills

Wendell

#### SURVEYORS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER

Charles H. Jennison Albert C. Merchant Curtis E. Tucker Locks Village Farley Wendell

#### FIELD DRIVERS

Glenn O. Ellis

Wendell

#### FENCE VIEWERS

George E. Mills Curtis E. Tucker Wendell Wendell

#### APPOINTED OFFICERS

#### SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Charles H. Jennison

Locks Village

#### FOREST WARDEN

Curtis E. Tucker

Wendell

#### INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Frank E. Ballou

Wendell

### INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERED MEAT

Frank E. Ballou George A. Strong

Wendell Farley

#### TOWN WEIGHER

Curtis E. Tucker

Wendell

#### SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Curtis E. Tucker

Wendell

# Town Clerk's Report

#### APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR 1924

Town Dobt and Charges

Town Dept and Charges	\$2000	-00		
Highways, Maintenance	3525	00		
State Improved Road	475	00		
Snow Bills		00		
Bridges		00		
Schools, by taxation	4500	00		
Schools, from treasury		00		
Electric Lights		00		
Memorial Day		00		
Library	100	00		
County Aid to Agriculture	35	00		
School Nurse		00		
Bonding Town Officers	75	00		
Workman's Insurance	200	00		
Tax Collector	150	00		
Tree Warden	50	00		
Suppression of Moths	300	00		
			\$14760	00

# SPECIAL TOWN MEETING, NOVEMBER 4, 1924

To	finish	town	vault,	from	funds	in		
	Treas	ury					\$350	00

To build wood shed, from funds in Treas-	
ury\$200 00	
	\$550 00
Total appropriations	\$15310 00

## Town Clerk's Report

VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE TOWN OF WENDELL FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1924

#### BIRTHS REGISTERED

Date Name and Place of Birth

Parents

#### JANUARY

1 Stillborn Wendell

10 Eleanor Faye Hatch Wendell Cecil E. Hatch Della N. (Sanders) Hatch

#### **FEBRUARY**

24 Doris Alice Merchant Wendell Adelbert C. P. Merchant Maud E. (Taylor) Merchant

#### APRIL

7 Mary Irene Brown Fleck Wendell Leander W. C. Fleck Gladys I. (Brown) Fleck

#### MAY

8 William Merritt Boynton Gates William C. Gates Wendell Gertrude E. (Brown) Gates

#### JULY

- 1 Stillborn Orange
- 12 Irene Brewer Wendell

Leslie S. Brewer Harriet E. (Whitman) Brewer

#### SEPTEMBER

4 Richard Freeman Austin Athol Edwin D. Austin Alice M. (Lockwood) Austin

#### NOVEMBER

9 Franklin John Ellis Wendell Israel James Ellis Esther (Cadwell) Ellis

#### DECEMBER

4 Della Marie Reed Wendell Charles M. Reed Lillian M. (Wheeler) Reed

11 Male Wendell

#### 12 Stillborn Wendell

Comparisons of births for the past five years.

1919	1920	1921	1922	1923
12	8	13	10	6

#### MARRIAGES REGISTERED

Date		Place	Names
Feb.	16	Hinsdale, N. H.	Carl Pike and Adeline Whipple Sampson
June	13	Petersham	George Francis Skerry and Ethel Gertrude Doron
July	12	Erving	Solon Frederick Begor and Vera Lenora Leming

#### Comparison table of marriages for the past five years:

1919	1920	1921	1922	1923
5	5	3	7	7

#### DEATHS REGISTERED

Date	Name	Age	Disease	
	Stillborn Mary Lucretia Glidd	len 71 years	Cerebral	hemorr-

April 1	Sylvia Louise Taylor	3 years	Broncho pneu-
	Cyril Elmo Brown Winnie Cannon	12 years 66 years	monia Diphtheria Chronic myocar-
July 30	Albert C. Merchant	74 years	ditis Mitral disease of
July 1 Oct. 14	Stillborn Annis S. Warner	86 years	the heart Broncho pneu-
Dec. 9	Stillborn		monia

#### Comparisons of deaths for the past five years:

1919	1920	1921	1922	1923
7	5	5	10	10

Any person noticing errors or omissions in the foregoing records will confer a favor by making it known to the Town Clerk at once, that he may make correction on the town records. Any blanks needed for making returns of births, marriages or deaths may be had by applying at this office.

#### JURORS DRAWN 1924

Feb.	Fred J. Stange Tremaine W. Whelpley Frank N. York	Farmer Town Clerk Farmer
	f persons liable for military duty of women over 21 years of age	

Number of dog licenses issued				45
34 Males at \$2.00	\$68			
2 Females at \$5.00	10	00.		
8 Spayed Females at \$2.00	16	00		
1 Kennel License at \$25.00	25	00		
~	\$119	00		
Fees 45 at 20c	9	00		
Paid County Treasurer			\$110	00
Number of Fishing and Game Licenses issu	ued			56
21 Combination at \$2.00	\$42	00		
24 Hunting and Trapping at \$1.50	36	00		
9 Fishing at \$1.00	9	00		
2 Trapping at \$.25		50		
_	\$87	50		
Fees		20		
Paid Division of Fisheries and Game			\$76	30

Respectfully,

TREMAINE W. WHELPLEY, Town Clerk.

# Report of the Cemetery Commissioner

Mary N. Phelps, bank book	\$219	67		
Almond Locke, bank book	160	86		
Jane E. Williams, bank book	105	58		
W, H. Sawyer, bank book	109	<b>32</b>		
Harrison W. Ballard, bank book	294	44		
Mark Bullard, Greenfield, bank book	100	00		
_			\$989	87
Balance left over from last year	\$26	27		
Accumulated interest drawn out and used	35	28		
_			\$61	55

#### EXPENDED AS FOLLOWS

John A. Sandberg, labor in Center ceme-		
tery	\$ 4	80
Frank Taylor, labor in Center cemetery	6	00
John B. Quist, labor in Center cemetery.	33	00
Orange Hardware Co., for paint in Center		
cemetery	3	75

Charles H. Jennison, labor in South ceme-		
tery	\$ 4 00	
Chas. M. Ballou, commissioner	10 00	
_		\$61 55
TOTAL D. OLFTON OL.:	\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	

JOHN B. QUIST, Chairman, CHARLES M. BALLOU, CHARLES H. JENNISON, Commissioners.

February 17, 1925.

I have examined the Report of the Cemetery Commissioners for the Town of Wendell for the year ending December 31, 1924, and find it correct.

MARION WHITNEY, Auditor.

# Assessors' Report

Number of polls assessed			113
Number assessed on property			266
Number assessed on polls only			22
Number of horses assessed	•		
			. 97
Number of cows assessed			94
Number of sheep assessed			8
Number of neat cattle other than cows.			36
Number of swine assessed			33
Number of fowls assessed			1489
Number of acres of land assessed			16402
Assessed value of personal property	\$350737	00	
Assessed value of real estate			
Total assessed value		\$	796199 00
Tax on personal estate	\$4208	88	
Tax on real estate	\$534555	00	
Tax on polls	\$22600	00	
Total amount to be raised by taxation			\$9780 43
Rate of tax per thousand			\$12 00

CHARLES M. BALLOU,
OZRO D. BAKER,
TREMAINE W. WHELPLEY,

Assessors
Of
Wendell.

# Report of School Department

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1924

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

PLIN WETHERBY

MRS. EMMA WOOD, Chairman

Term expires 1926

MRS. MARY E. WHITE, Secretary

Term expires 1927

#### SUPERINTENDENT

DAVID F. CARPENTER Millers Falls
Towns in union: Erving, Leverett, Shutesbury, Wendell.

#### SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

MYRTLE E. McKAY Orange

#### SCHOOL NURSE

G. C. KEOUGH Orange

#### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

F. E. JOHNSON, M. D. Erving

#### ATTENDANCE OFFICER

#### DEPUTY M. W. CARROLL

Millers Falls

250 00

29 17 90 00

20 00

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

School fund in Orange Savings Bank \$ 291 Third Liberty Loan	
RECEIPTS WHICH GO TO THE TOWN	TREASURY
NOT TO SCHOOL DEPARTMENT	Т
Transportation of High School pupils \$216 School superintendent of small towns 192  AVAILABLE FUNDS	
	00
Town appropriation March 1924 \$6000	
Interest on Third Liberty Loan 42	
Drawn from Orange Savings Bank 471	\$6513 78
DISBURSEMENTS	
Salaries of teachers\$2021	47
Transportation	87

Salary of superintendent.....

Travelling expense of superintendent....

Salary of school committee....

Medical inspection....

Care of buildings Repairs New wood shed 4 Tuition Miscellaneous	37 46 11 16 61 86	55 16 15 63 00 23 55	\$6513	78
ITEMIZED EXPENDITURE	5			
SALARIES OF TEACHERS				
Mrs. F. Grew \$ 89	24	49		
		07		
		98		
		00		
		00		
Mindred Gridden	10		\$2021	47
			Ψ2021	L
TRANSPORTATION				
Anthony Stone \$	34	98		
	-	98		
v		88		
		50		
		50		
4		50		
•		88		
		50		
		50		
		50		
	74	15		
	39	00		
Frank Major	4	00		
			\$2549	87

#### SALARY OF SUPERINTENDENT

David F. Carpenter	\$250 00
TRAVELLING EXPENSE OF SUPERINTEN	DENT
David F. Carpenter	\$29 17
SALARY OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE	
Mary E. White, Secretary       \$50 00         Emma Wood, Chairman       25 00         Plin Wetherby       15 00	\$90 00
MEDICAL INSPECTION	
F. E. Johnson, M. D	\$20 00
FUEL AND FITTING	
C. H. Hibbard       \$ 2 50         O. D. Baker       30 00         Walter Oliver       39 50         Marvin Ellis       20 00         Spooner Bros       2 55	\$94 55
BOOKS AND SUPPLIES	
•	
Edward E. Babb & Co \$31 29	
McMillan Co., Pub.         24 75           Standard Book Co.         2 83	
Mass. Tuberculosis League	

Gregg Publishing Co	\$ 90	
J. P. Lippincott & Co	5 38	
C. H. Demond & Co	1 59	
Dowling School Supply Co	8 80	
Harris and Gilpatric	6 18	
Harry Houston	2 74	
J. L. Hammett & Co	43 08	
The Cable Co	4 05	
Newson & Co	3 57	
		\$137 16
CARE OF BUILDINGS		
Louie Wetherby	\$24 05	
Mae Ellison	17 80	
John Wirth	4 30	
	1 00	\$46 15
		<b>#10 10</b>
REPAIRS		
Robert F. Wood	<b>\$</b> 5 75	
H. P. Chamberlin	1 68	
Orange Hardware Co.	20	
Orange Lumber Co	4 00	
Orange Lumber Co	4 00	\$11 63
		<b>\$11 09</b>
NEW WOOD SHED		
Robert F. Wood		\$416 00
TUITION		
Town of Orange High School, four pupils	\$279 62	

Town of New Salem, High School, two			
pupils	\$175	00	
Town of Orange, Elementary School,			
seven pupils	269	98	
Town of New Salem, Elementary School,			
one pupil	36	63	
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			\$761
•			
MICCELLANDATE			
MISCELLANEOUS			
Charles Hibbard, cleaning stove pipe.			
putting up flag N. W. School	\$ 2	00	
G. P. Harrington, journal for school ac-	Φ Δ	00	
counts	1	25	
Orange Savings Bank, interest Third	1	20	
Liberty Loan	42	50	
Mary E. White, candles and fumigating	14	00	
Center School	1	45	
Mary E. White, school census		00	
H. W. Sawin, repairs on school shed		50	
Emma Wood, keys for door	Ŭ	50	
Fred C. White, transportation to Millers			
Falls, two trips	4	00	
Orange Hardware Co., two flag ropes,			
broom, West and N. W. and Center			
School	4	00	
Benson Bros., window shades, N. W.			
School	10	00	
Andrews Paper Co., Kraft towels, 1-2 case	3	75	
Wm. Lockwood, work at West School,			
cleaning	1	50	
Robert F. Wood, work at West School,			
fixing lock, etc	1	50	

H. P. Chamberlin, keys N. W. School	\$	70		
Carroll Bros., broom, N. W. School	1	25		
Curtis Tucker, broom, matches		65		
<u> </u>			\$86	55

#### Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. WHITE,	School
	Committee of
PLIN H. WETHERBY,	Wendell.

This is to certify that I have examined the books and reports of Mary E. White, Secretary of the School Committee of the Town of Wendell and find them correct.

MARION E. WHITNEY, Auditor.

# Report of the Superintendent of Schools

#### TO THE WENDELL SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

The outstanding event of the year was the opening of the West School. A considerable number of the voters having demanded it the board made the necessary arrangements and opened the school October 20 with 11 pupils, and a graduate of Fitchburg Normal School, class of 1924, in charge. Early in November, Mr. B. F. Jones of the state Department of Education spent a half day in town and under date of November 18 wrote at some length his impressions. After noting the improvements at the Center and the number of pupils and grades in each school he goes on to say:

Our little one room schools have been necessary in many localities and will for a long time exist. They are, however, disappearing very rapidly in those sections of the state where better arrangements can be made. Already more than one hundred towns and cities in Massachusetts have abandoned all one room schools and are educating their children in graded schools of two or more rooms. Less than 3 per cent of our public school pupils are now attending the one room school. The reasons for this widespread desire are briefly as follows:

- (1) In the long run better teachers may be secured for graded schools than for the one room school. No teacher no matter how well trained can do justice to the typical one room school with seven or eight grades and with pupils of all ages from five up to fourteen or fifteen. Teachers are trained for graded schools and naturally desire to serve there.
- (2) With three or four grades to handle the teacher has about twice as much time for actual teaching and for individual help as she would have with the seven or eight grades found in the one room school. Under the grade school plan towns, therefore, get a far large return from their expenditure for teachers' salaries.
- (3) More adequate supervision is possible with centralized schools because the superintendent of schools and supervisors of special subjects can devote more time to supervision and instruction than would be possible if they were required to travel long distances among the schools.
- (4) In graded schools pupils receive inspiration when working with groups of pupils of similar mental development. Friendly rivalry and competition are easily aroused. In the one room school, on the other hand, most classes are so small that the benefits of competition are lost.

These advantages of the graded school should be carefully considered by school authorities in every town still maintaining one room schools. At the same time that graded schools provide better educational opportunities for children they usually provide better physical conditions. In my observations in Wendell I find that all of your schools have cross lighting which scientists say is injurious to the eyes. The Mormon Hollow school is exceedingly dark owing to its situation in a hollow among the trees. Both the Mormon Hollow and the West schools need adjustable furniture. The West school needs new blackboards, and the Center should be remodeled so as to provide proper lighting.

In view of both the educational and physical needs observed in the schools of Wendell, I desire to suggest for the consideration of your committee the desirability of making the Center school into a two-room building, closing the West school, transporting the pupils to the Center, and transporting the Mormon Hollow pupils to Millers Falls. The records show that Wendell is financially able to make this change for the improvement of the schools. The school tax rate is now \$6.37 as contrasted with an average rate of \$8.74 for the 127 towns in the group. In other words, if the school tax in Wendell should be increased to the average of \$8.74 per \$1000, Wendell would be raising annually an additional amount of \$1700 for her schools.

These statements from one well acquainted with conditions throughout the state are recommended to your careful consideration. For the year ending June 30, 1924, Wendell had two schools, one at the Center and one at Mormon Hollow. Adding together the cost of teaching, transportation and other items which could be directly charged against each school, charging the Center with two-thirds and the North West school with one-third of the overhead costs, school board, supervision, etc., and dividing each result by the average membership of the school made the cost per pupil at the Center \$123, and at Mormon Hollow \$185 per year. Transportation costs are heavy in Wendell but small schools are even more expensive. The town can save \$500 or more with the present distribution of population by closing the North West school.

The appropriation made a year ago was \$500 less than the estimate of the amount needed and several things, such as schooling 12 or 15 children in Erving, have occurred to greatly increase necessary expenses. The school board was therefore obliged to draw for special funds which ought to have been kept for later improvement and also leave unpaid bills to a considerable amount, which must be considered in making appropriations this year. In making up the budget for this year the expenses

for the past ten years have been studied and the absolutely necessary expenses for maintaining three schools carefully estimated. It will very likely prove before the end of the year that as many items have been figured too close as too large. The school board will find it difficult to meet all demands unless they have available at least \$7500, or if interest money is replaced, \$8000.

With thanks for all the kindness that has made work in Wendell enjoyable during the past year, this report is respectfully submitted.

#### D. F. CARPENTER

#### ESTIMATES FOR 1925

School Board, salaries and expenses	\$ 100 00		
Supervision	300 00		
Teaching	2700 00		
Text Books and Supplies	150 00		
Janitors and Cleaning	75 00		
Fuel	125 00		
Repairs and Replacement	300 00		
Health	150 00		
Elementary School Transportation	2000 00		
High School Transportation	250 00		
Tuition	800 00		
Miscellaneous	50 00		
·		\$7000	00
Tuition Bills of 1924		\$589	81

#### STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1924

School	Teacher	No. Enrolled	Ave. Mem.	Ave. Att.	Att.	Tdy.
Center	Mrs. Emma (	Grew 28	25.7	22.8	87	6
No. Wes	t Miss Mae E	llison 12	9.6	8.8	92	33
		,		A 2 100 '	_	
		40	35.3	31.6	90	39

#### REGISTRATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MINORS

#### APRIL 1, 1914

AFRILI	, rara		
	5-7	7-14	14-16
Boys	4	21	2
Girls	8	22	2
	12	43	4
In school	4	43	1
Not in School	8	0	3
	12	43	4
Number in High School			5
Number in elementary schools, Or			
New Salem			
Number in Wendell from Shutesb	ury		1
Number of Schools			

## School Health Report

February 13, 1925.

MR. D. M. CARPENTER, Millers Falls, Mass.

Dear Mr. Carpenter:

Herewith is submitted the report of the school nursing in the town of Wendell.

Dr. Johnson examined the children and found the following defects:

No. pupils examined
No. pupils with defective nutrition 1
No. pupils with defective posture 9
No. pupils with defective teeth27
No. pupils with defective throat 8
No. pupils with defective vision
No. pupils with no defects4

The work in the schools this year has consisted of class room inspection and health talks, home visits. Two patients were taken to the hospital. One was given nursing care.

We have arranged to hold Dental Clinics in West and Center Schools. Dr. Blanford has consented to do the dental work in the schools for much less than the full cost. It is an excellent opportunity for the growing children to acquire the habit of taking care of their teeth. Many do not realize that children cut four permanent teeth between the age of 5 and 7, and that the purpose of those teeth is to preserve the arch and allow second teeth to come in their proper places.

Several Dental Clinics have been held in other towns and proved successful. When the clinics are held we like to have the parents visit and see what is being done.

Respectfully submitted,

GENEVIEVE C. KEOUGH, School Nurse and A. R. C. Public Health Nurse.

# Financial Report of the Wendell Free Public Library

#### RECEIPTS

Dog tax	\$ 69	35		
Town appropriation	100	00		
Amount in bank January, 1924	22	51		
Interest on money in bank	2	41		
From Librarian (1923 account)	5	00		
Fines on books	6	92		
Magazines lost		<b>5</b> 0		
Books sold		10		
Pears sold		<b>5</b> 0		
· .			\$207	<b>2</b> 9

#### DISBURSEMENTS

Stove pipe	\$ 2 90
Munsey's magazine	3 00
Cosmopolitan magazine 2 years	4 00
Memorial Press, 1 book	2 48
1 book	1 90
Repairing slate	2 50

A. R. Womrath, books	\$ 3 84	
Library Replacement Bureau, books	9 15	
Freight and transportation	2 65	
Stationery and postage	1 65	
Oil	19	
Librarian's salary	52 00	
Sawing and fitting wood	25 00	
Reverted to town treasury	23 00	
Amount in bank January, 1925	73 03	
		0.0

\$207 29

#### Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES M. BALLOU, FRANK E. BALLOU, EFFIE L. BOWEN, Sec.,

February 20, 1925.

This is to certify that I have examined the report of the Trustees of Wendell Free Library for the year ending December 31, 1924, and find it correct.

MARION E. WHITNEY, Auditor.

# Report of the Librarian

#### TO THE TRUSTEES OF WENDELL FREE LIBRARY:—

We have not purchased as many books, as in some of the previous years, as we have had so many given to us.

The library commission gave us over twenty.

The Springfield library gave us over sixty.

Others who gave us books were: Mrs. C. M. Ballou, B. A. Whittemore, and the Better Understanding Society, also G. R. Erskine, president of the Studebaker Corporation.

The library commission gave us the National Geographic, St. Nicholas, Popular Mechanics and American magazines. An unknown friend gave us a subscription to the Christian Century.

Mrs. Frank York gave us several odd copies of magazines.

We were also presented with several numbers of The Flower Grower.

books, and one set of pretares on partots.	
We received for fines during the year	\$6 92
For magazines lost and books sold	60
Total circulation for the year	2086
Largest day's circulation, March 8	74
Smallest days circulation, October 11	18-

Respectfully submitted,

#### BOOKS ADDED TO THE LIBRARY DURING THE YEAR

A Curious Quest, E. Phillips Oppenheim; Come out of the Kitchen, Alice Duer Miller; The Princess Priscilla's Fortnight, Mary A. Barnim; Happy Island, Jennette Lee; Phoebe Dean, Grace Livingston Hill Lutz; Uncle William, Jennette Lee; The Best Man, Grace Livingston Hill Lutz; Branded, Francis Lynde; Duke of Oblivion, John Reed Scott; Martha of the Mennonite Country, Helen Martin: Destroyer, Burton E. Stevenson; Red Pepper Burns, Grace S. Richmond; The Scarlet Rider, Bertha Runkle; Strictly Business, O. Henry; The Double Traitor, E. Phillips Oppenheim; The Green Diamond, Arthur Morrison; Saturday's Child, Kathleen Norris; The Honey Bee, Samuel Merwin; The Iron Trail, Rex Beach; Miss Pritchard's Wedding Trip, Clara L. Burnham; Thankful's Inheritance, Lincoln; The Window Joseph in the Fence. Brunkhurst: The Abandoned Claim. Flora Haines Loughead: The Mystery of the Summer House, Horace Hutchinson; From Now On, Frank L. Packard; The Marriage of Captain Kettle, C. J. Cutcliffe Hyne; Franklin Winslow Kane, Anne D. Sedgwick; The End of the Road, Stanley P. Hyatt; The Worn Doorstep, Margaret Sherwood; The Nest, Anne Douglas Sedgwick; The Black Book, George Bronson Howard; The Heart of the Range, William P. White: The Mystery of the Red Flame, George Barton; The Man of the Forest, Zane Grey; A Fountain Sealed, Anne Douglas Sedgwick; The Fox Woman, John Luther Long; Sunshine Beggars, Sidney McCall; Uneasy Street, Arthur Somers Roche; The Clue in the Air, Isabel Ostrander; The Bridge Builders, Anna Chapin Ray; Children of the Whirlwind, Leroy Scott; The House of the Misty Star, Frances Little; Flamsted Quarries, Mary E. Waller; Unseen Hand, Clarence H. New; South Sea Tales, Jack London; The Second Chance, Nellie L. McClung; Over Bemertons, E. V. Lucas; The Long Shadow, B. M. Bower; The Preacher of Cedar Mountain, Ernest Seton;

The Actress, Louise Closser Hale; Man Four Square, Wm. MacLeod Raine; The Beloved Vagabond, William J. Locke; Our Next Door Neighbors, Belle K. Maniates; Joseph Vance, William DeMorgan; The Trail of the Lonesome Pine, John Fox, Jr.: The Wandering Jew. Eugene Sue: Seven Miles to Arden. Ruth Sawver: The Successors to Mary the First, Elizabeth Stuart Phelps; Lena Rivers, Mary J. Holmes; Woodrow Wilson, W. D. Eaton and Harry C. Read; Life after Death, Swedenborg; The Story of the Pilgrim Tercentenary Celebration at Plymouth in the year 1921. Frederick W. Bittinger: The Jew and Civilization, Ada Sterling; The Rudder, Mary S. Watts; True Story of Christopher Columbus, Brooks; Adventures of Pinocchio, Collodi; Bee People, Morley; When Molly was Six, White; Adventures of Buffalo Bill, Cody; Wigwam Stories, Judd; Bird Stories, Patch; Old Greek Stories told Anew, Peabody: Stories of Starland, Proctor; Swiss Family Robinson, Wyss; Understood Betsey, Canfield; Boys Book of Mounted Police, Crump; American Leaders and Heroes, Gordy; Robin Hood, Joseph Pyle; Bee Man, Stockton; Abraham Baldwin; Red True Story Book, Lang; Virginia Cavalier, Seawell; Zone Policeman 88, Franck; Country of the Pointed Firs, Jewett; Pearl of Orr's Island, Stowe; Lad, a Dog, Terhune.









# ANNUAL OFFICIAL REPORTS

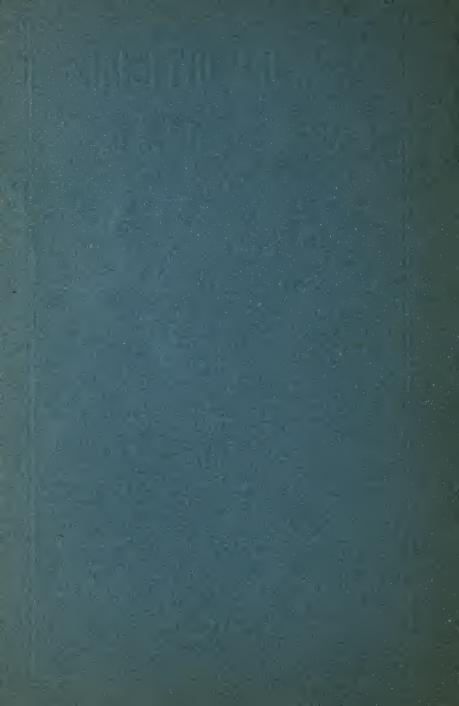
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TOWN OF WENDELL, MASS.



For the Fiscal Year Ending December 31

1925



# ANNUAL REPORT

---OF THE----

### TOWN OF WENDELL

Selectmen, Overseers of Poor, Treasurer
and Town Clerk

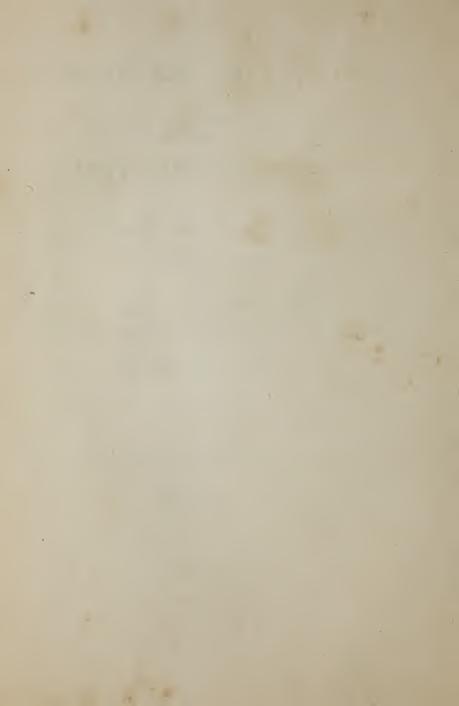
Together with the Report of School Committee,
Library Trustees, Cemetery Commissioners,
Assessors and Auditor

-FOR THE-

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st

1925

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## Selectmen's Report for 1925

#### TO THE CITIZENS OF WENDELL:

Total amount of money appropriated	\$16695	00
Number of orders issued, 880 amounting to	14126	70

#### For the following purposes:

Salaries of Town Officers	\$ 815	00
Town debts and charges	911	99
Highway maintenance	7447	41
State Improved road	2016	60
Bridges	524	85
Snow bills	381	98
Library	55	50
Overseers of the Poor	349	34
Board of Health	181	10
Cemeteries	54	45
Fire bills	67	04
State aid	72	00
Suppression of Moths	118	40
Red Cross Nurse	250	00
Seeding Common	227	95
Hedge-hog bounty	80	00

Wild Cat bounty	\$ 30	00		
Electric lights	53	28		
Workmen's Insurance	134	81		
Memorial Day appropriation	50	00		
Farm Bureau Extension Service	35	00		
Bonding Town Officers	45	00		
Tax Collector's salary, balance 1923	75	00		
Tax Collector's salary, balance 1924	75	00		
Tax Collector's salary, 1-2 of 1925	75	00		
-			\$14126	70

#### SALARIES OF TOWN OFFICERS

Marion E. Whitney, auditor for 1924	\$ 10	00
Charles M. Ballou, selectman	125	00
Ozro D. Baker, selectman	75	00
Charles H. Jennison, selectman	75	00
Charles M. Ballou, overseer of the poor		
and board of health	75	00
Ozro D. Baker, overseer of the poor and		
board of health	25	00
Charles H. Jennison, overseer of the poor		
and board of health	25	00
Tremaine W. Whelpley, town clerk	100	00
Fred C. White, treasurer	125	00
Charles M. Ballou, chairman of assessors	25	00
Ozro D. Baker, assessor	25	00
Tremaine W. Whelpley, clerk of assessors	75	00
Leon O. Taylor, constable	20	00
Curtis E. Tucker, forest warden	25	00
Curtis E. Tucker, sealer of weights and		
measures	10	00

\$815 00

#### MAINTENANCE OF ROADS

Charles H. Jennison, labor and team	\$1102 60
Henry P. Champlin, labor and team	583 70
Edwin D. Austin, labor	14 40
Robert A. Shirley, labor	55 60
Eugene R. Hutchinson, labor	51 60
O. K. Hedger, labor	53 20
Walerie Wirth, labor	217 20
Samuel Bartlett, labor	4 00
Fred Stange, labor	9 60
Frank Taylor, labor	246 80
Frank Kent, labor	250 00
Charles Day, labor	207 40
George Mills, Jr., labor	5 60
George E. Mills, labor	10 80
Caleb Carey, labor and team	333 00
John Moran, labor	356 80
Arthur Glidden, labor	95 20
H. A. Hook, labor	149 60
Frank York, labor	23 20
Clarence Carey, labor	148 80
E. J. Taylor, labor	67 60
Earl Hewey, labor	8 40
John Sandberg, labor	165 65
Stephen Sandberg, labor	62 00
Glenn O. Ellis, labor	12 00
Mr. Dunton, labor	6 00
New England Metal Culvert Co., culverts	110 96
Charles H. Jennison, freight bill	14 69
Charles H. Jennison, gravel	4 50
Orange Hardware Company, tools	56 25
Berger Mfg. Company, culverts	122 40
Frank Major, labor	38 40

A. J. Stone, labor and team, gravel	\$161	40
James M. Turner, labor and team	108	70
George E. Clark, gravel	<b>2</b> 3	40
George A. Merchant, labor	4	80
O. D. Baker, labor, team and gravel	215	30
Clifford Whitmore, labor	16	00
W. H. Lockwood, labor	88	80
Leon O. Taylor, labor	6	40
F. I. Webster Co., dynamite, fuse, caps.	16	60
William Wyman, labor	85	20
Merton Oliver, labor	23	20
Robert Wood, labor	31	20
Charles H. Bean, labor	29	60
Acme Road Machine Co., road scraper	365	00
Fred A. Jennison, labor	37	20
John Wirth, labor	24	40
Andrew Fox, labor	8	40
Lester Granger, labor	7	20
Alvin Fiske, team and labor	170	60
Lorenzo Gould, labor	6	40
A. S. Chapman, labor	6	55
Arthur King, labor	39	20
Clesson Wyman, team and labor	64	10
Clifton Reed, labor	1	60
Jesse Locke, labor	12	
David Locke, labor	16	
Charles Sonderlhn, labor	32	
Peter Drowdski, labor, team	33	20
Wilford H. Davis, labor	21	20
George A. Strong, labor		80
Andrew Sonderlhn, labor	12	
L. M. Daniels, labor		60
O. F. Daniels, labor	7	65
Edward Gale, labor	21	60

George Gale, labor	\$ 6	00	
Joseph Satrowski, gravel	9	20	
Fred Štange, gravel	2	40	
Arthur Taylor, labor	20	40	
William A. Glidden, labor	26	80	
Charles A. Fiske, labor and truck	388	50	
W. H. Ballou, team and labor	111	20	
George E. Rush, labor	43	20	
Raymond Moore, labor	43	20	
Warren Taylor, labor	66	00	
Israel Ellis, labor and team	253	30	
Ernest Taylor, labor	. 1	20	
C. M. Ballou, gravel	14	00	
Fred C. White, gravel	1	00	
Boston & Maine R. R., cinders and freight	111	66	
Plin Wetherby, gravel	2	00	
Charles T. Hedburg, labor	16	20	
L. M. Gould, labor	8	00	
H. Leloff, labor and truck	13	50	
Curtis E. Tucker, labor	12	80	
Louis Drowdowski, labor	3	20	
John Szenner, labor	2	80	
<u>-</u>			\$7447 41
Appropriation from Town	\$3525	00	
Allotment from State	. 3525	00	
Total			\$7050 00
STATE IMPROVED R	OAD		
Under Section 34, Chapt	ter 90		
Charles H. Jennison, labor and team	\$231	70	
Caleb Carey, labor and team	190	80	
Alvin Fiske, labor and team	406	80	
Charles G. Day, labor	91	60	

Frank Taylor, labor	\$ 90	80	
Robert Wood, labor	58	80	
Walerie Wirth, labor	54	40	
Lester Granger, labor	38	40	
E. R. Hutchinson, labor	78	00	
F. I. Webster Co., dynamite, fuse, caps.	16	60	
H. P. Champlin, labor and team	166	50	
John Moran, labor	115	00	
William H. Lockwood, labor	61	60	
Clarence Carey, labor	77	60	
John Wirth, labor	55	60	
Andrew Fox, labor	17	20	
Frank Kent, labor	6	40	
Fred A. Jennison, labor	3	20	
Warren Taylor, labor	57	60	
Edwin D. Austin, labor	7	20	
Plin Wetherby, labor	9	60	
Charles H. Bean, labor	37	20	
A. S. Chapman, labor	25	60	
George Webster, labor	25	60	
Ernest Taylor, labor	3	20	
Arthur Taylor, labor	6	40	
Charles A. Fiske, labor and truck	9	00	
Robert Boynton, gravel	35	00	
O. D. Baker, gravel	22	50	
Curtis E. Tucker, supplies, sharpening			
picks	12	65	
John Moran, supplies	4	05	
-			\$2016 60
Appropriation from Town	\$ 500	00	
Allotment from State	1000		
Allotment from County	500		
Total –			\$2000 00

Town of Erving, plank and labor..... \$ 7 45

#### BRIDGES

Carroll Cutter, bridge plank	31	86	
Charles H. Jennison, labor and supplies	15	60	
Walerie Wirth, labor	9	20	
John Moran, labor	16	80	
O. D. Baker, labor and plank	89	35	
Arthur King, labor	10	00	
Charle H. Bean, labor and plank	26	02	
Arthur Glidden, lumber	5	00	
William H. Wyman, labor	3	20	
H. A. Hook, labor	9	60	
Charles A. Fiske, labor and truck	10	50	
Curtis E. Tucker, spikes	1	40	
C. M. Ballou, posts and railings	30	48	
F. I. Webster Co., spikes	4	05	
J. C. Rix, labor and truck	10	00	
George A. Strong, labor	7	60	
Rufus H. Fitts, bridge plank	45	90	
G. H. Barnes, bridge plank	190	84	
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			\$59

\$524 85

#### Appropriation \$1000.00

#### SNOW BILLS

Alvin Fiske, labor and team	\$24	80
Alvin Fiske, labor and team	34	70
Alburn Fiske, labor	2	80
Charles H. Jennison, labor and team	42	00
John A. Sandberg, labor	34	80
Charles Gale, labor		60
Eugene Gale, labor	1	60

Andrew Fox, labor	\$ 1	40
Edwin D. Austin, labor	9	90
Stephen Sandberg, labor	2	40
Walerie Wirth, labor	7	20
John Wirth, labor	4	60
E. R. Hutchinson, labor	4	60
Henry P. Champlin, labor and team	44	10
Frank Kent, labor	4	40
W. H. Lockwood, labor	5	60
Frank Taylor, labor	16	20
Warren Taylor, labor	7	60
George E. Mills, labor	2	40
Charles Fuller, labor	4	40
A. J. Stone, labor and team	36	80
Peter Drowdowski, labor and team	17	80
E. J. Taylor, labor	2	40
Arthur Taylor, labor	3	20
W. H. Ballou, labor and team	8	50
Lester Granger, labor	2	00
W. H. Davis, labor	7	20
Jesse Locke, labor	1	20
George A. Merchant, labor	8	00
Adelbert Merchant, labor	1	20
Clesson Wyman and team	8	55
Orange Hardware Co., snow shovels	3,	00
George Wetherby, labor	3	60
W. C. Wyman, labor	3	
Samuel Bartlett, labor	4	75
John Frawley, labor	1	50
A. S. Chapman, labor	5	50
Charles Hedburg, labor	3	90
Charles Day, labor	2	40

#### TOWN DEBTS AND CHARGES

house
William Burnham, lumber for Johnson house
L. M. Graves, labor and material for Johnson house
L. M. Graves, labor and material for Johnson house
Orange Hardware Company, locks and hinges for wood shed
hinges for wood shed
Frank E. Ballou, inspection of cattle and stables
stables       50 00         C. M. Ballou, inspection of slaughtered meat       5 00         C. M. Ballou, moderator       3 00
C. M. Ballou, inspection of slaughtered meat.       5 00         C. M. Ballou, moderator       3 00
meat
C. M. Ballou, moderator
J. C. Turner, election officer 3 00
J. A. Sandberg, election officer 3 00
Charles G. Day, election officer 3 00
Marion E. Whitney, election officer 3 00
T. W. Whelpley, sorting and putting books
in vault
P. B. Murphy, dog license book 1 70
J. S. Whitman, printing ballots and town
reports
Times Publishing Co., assessors' material 4 30
Times Publishing Co., town clerk's mater-
ial 4 75
E. L. Lewis, school house insurance poli-
cies 59 85
Earl Freeman, taking decennial census 30 00
H. M. Stacy, auto tax list 5 00
Hobbs and Warren, assessors' warrants
and blanks 1 83

Commonwealth of Massachusetts, gas	
measures	\$15 00
T. W. Whelpley, labor and material mak-	
ing guard rails	4 00
Orange Hardware Co., paint and shellac	
for hall shed	6 40
C. W. Hibbard, oil and labor on hall shed	10 50
John Harris, express on gas measures	94
Cecil T. Bagnell Co., poll tax bills and	
envelopes	5 62
Leslie T. Haskins, insurance policy on hall	37 50
Cecil T. Bagnell Co., real estate tax bills	
for collector	4 38
Elias Richardson, stamps and envelopes	
for tax collector	8 00
Fred C. White, care of town hall	15 00
Fred C. White, postage and stationery	5 52
Cecil T. Bagnell Co., town order blanks.	7 11
J. C. Turner, primary officer	4 50
M. E. Whitney, primary officer	4 50
Charles A. Fiske and truck, grading in	
front town hall	6 00
Frank Taylor, grading in front town hall	1 60
Frank Kent, grading in front town hall	1 60
George C. Dyer, paint and labor on hall	
and hearse house	48 75
O. D. Baker, paint for town hall	2 50
Orange Hardware Co., paint and material	
for town hall and hearse house	54 10
Herman C. Lythgoe, inspector's stamp	96
Charles H. Bean, work on scales	$22 \ 50$
Arthur King, work on scales	7 60
Ralph Carey, work on scales	1 20
C. H. Jennison, work on scales	4 00

C. M. Ballou, plank and timber	\$24 50	
Curtis Tucker, supplies for town hall	7 08	
Curtis Tucker, sealing scales	1 00	
J. F. Higgins, return of death	25	
Elias Richardson, tax collector, for stamps	1 00	
C. M. Ballou, cash paid out for postage,		
telephone and auto	31 79	
Charles A. Fiske, inspector of slaughtered		
meat	$29 \ 50$	
T. W. Whelpley, stamps, telephone, ex-		
press, sundries, as clerk	16 73	
T. W. Whelpley, auto, telephone, stamps,		
express as assessor	10 45	
T. W. Whelpley, recording births, deaths,		
marriages	13 00	
T. W. Whelpley, qualifying town officers.	3 75	
T. W. Whelpley, justice fees	6 75	
M. W. Carroll, sheriff fees	8 00	
George A. Strong, inspection of slaughter-		
ed meat	7 00	
O. D. Baker, cash paid for postage,		
express and telephones	3 80	
John Harris, part payment on land	$25 \ 00$	
Fred C. White, postage, envelopes, tele-		
phone, auto	29 76	
Tax abatements, 1923, Frank E. Ballou	9 90	
Tax abatements, 1925, Elias Richardson.	19 38	
Tax abatements, 1920, Enter the		\$911 99
LIBRARY		
Orders		
75 : To Whitney, copyings as librarian	\$52 00	
Marion E. Whitney, services as librarian.	3 50	
L. B. Bowen, screens for cellar windows.		\$55 50

#### MEMORIAL DAY

Joel E. Tucker, appropriation	\$50 00
FARM BUREAU EXTENSION SERV	ICE
Franklin county extension service, appropriation	\$35 00
BONDING TOWN OFFICERS	
James D. Kimball, treasurer's bond \$20 ( James D. Kimball, tax collector's bond 25 (	
Appropriation \$75.00	
CEMETERIES	
W. H. Lockwood, labor center cemetery. \$ 7 2	20
John B. Quist, labor in center cemetery 19 8 Stephen Sandberg, labor in Center ceme-	80
tery 6 4	40
George Gale, labor in center cemetery 6	
Orange Hardware Co., cement and belts 1 0	
C. M. Ballou, commissioner 10 (	
C. H. Jennison, labor in south cemetery. 4	
	\$54 45
FIRE BILLS	
Town of Erving, railroad fire \$40	27
George A. Merchant, railroad fire 2	00
David Locke, railroad fire	00

O. D. Baker, railroad fire \$ 4 00	
Town of Erving, railroad fire	
1 50	
Earl Freeman, town fire	
	\$67 04
STATE AID	\$01 OI
State aid	\$72 00
SUPPRESSION OF MOTHS	
George E. Mills, labor \$54 40	
Arthur Glidden, labor	
W. H. Ballou, labor. 9 60	
	\$118 40
Appropriation \$300.00	<i>\$</i> 110 10
RED CROSS NURSE	
Paid Genevieve C. Keough	
Four quarters to January 1st	<b>***</b>
Tour quarters to samuary 1st	\$250 00
Appropriation \$250.00	
ELECTRIC LIGHTS	
Athol Gas & Electric Co	\$53 28
Appropriation \$60.00	φυυ 20
WOD WATERING INTOLED AND TO	
WORKMEN'S INSURANCE	
E. L. Lewis, workmen's insurance policy	\$134 81
Appropriation \$200.00	,
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#### COLLECTION OF TAXES

Frank E. Ballou, balance of salary, 1923	\$75	00
Elias Richardson, balance salary, 1924	75	00
Elias Richardson, 1-2 salary 1925	75	00
Appropriation \$150.00		

#### CASH ASSETS, JANUARY 1, 1926

Due from State, State aid	\$ 72	00
Due from Poor Department		94
Due from Board of Health Department.	165	40
Due from Railroad Fire Department	63	04
Uncollected Taxes, 1925	154	90
-Deposit in Shelburne Falls Savings Bank	718	63
Deposit in Crocker Institution for Savings	30	07
Deposit in Greenfield Savings Bank	30	07
Deposit in Franklin Savings Institution	85	46
Deposit in Orange Savings Bank	123	72
Deposit in Athol Savings Bank	87	41
Deposit in Orange National Bank	11846	66
Deposit in Liberty Bonds	3000	00

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#### OTHER RESOURCES

Deposit in Orange Savings Bank, library			
fund	\$	139	00
Deposit in Orange Savings Bank, special			
library fund		205	87
Deposit in Orange Savings Bank, school			
$\operatorname{fund}$		347	81
Deposit in Liberty Bonds, school fund.	1	000	00

cemetery fund \$ 2	219	67
Deposit, Almond Locke, bank book, cem-		
$\operatorname{eter}$ $\operatorname{y}$ $\operatorname{fund}$ $1$	157	50
Deposit, Jane E. Williams, bank book,		
$ cemetery \ fund 1 $	105	70
Deposit, W. H. Sawyer, bank book, ceme-		
tery fund	108	25
Deposit, Harrison W. Ballard, bank book,		
cemetery fund 2	284	88
Deposit, Mark Bullard, Greenfield, bank		
book, cemetery fund	104	55
	000	00
G. W. Watson estate, land of	25	00
Phelps wood lots	250	00

\$5948 23

 $\left. \begin{array}{c} \text{CHARLES M. BALLOU,} \\ \text{OZRO D. BAKER,} \\ \text{CHARLES H. JENNISON,} \end{array} \right\} \begin{array}{c} \text{Selectmen} \\ \text{of} \\ \text{Wendell.} \end{array}$ 

## Report of Overseers of Poor

No. 73. No. 74. No. 75. No. 62.	Aid rendered	43	30 94 10 00		
No. 76.	Aid rendered	25	00	<b>@940</b>	94
	from other towns	\$199 31	30 94	\$349 \$231	
Net expe	nse of poor			\$118	10
	CHARLES M. BALLOU, OZRO D. BAKER, CHARLES H. JENNISON,	}	t	eers of he oor.	•

February 22, 1926.

This is to certify that I have examined the reports of the selectmen and overseers of the poor and find them correct.

MARION WHITNEY, Auditor

## Report of the Board of Health

Herbert E. Thompson, paid for fumiga-			
tors	\$ 2	20	
R. M. Haynes, milk for L. S. Brewerfam-			
ily	23	20	
A. M. Cheney, disinfectants	8	50	
W. T. Richards & Son, groceries and pro-			
visions	120	20	
J. W. Conrad, two mattresses	13	50	
Kirk L. Alexander, M. D., visit to W.			
Wirth	7	50	
Kirk L. Alexander, M. D., visit to W.			
Taylor	6	00	
_			\$181 10
CHARLES M. BALI	LOU,		Board

OZRO D. BAKER, of CHARLES H. JENNISON, Health.

## Town Treasurer's Report

# FRED C. WHITE, TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE TOWN OF WENDELL

#### RECEIPTS

Cash in treasury, January, 1925	\$10829	31
Received from state,		
District supervision of school	192	99
Tuition of children	14	25
Transportation high school pupils	256	23
Corporation tax, public service	5623	47
Corporation tax, business	635	08
Income tax	1804	60
State aid	72	$00^{\circ}$
Soldiers' exemption	2	08
Reimbursement of loss of taxes	149	30
Inspections of animals	25	00
Highway repairs	3525	00
Improved roads	1500	00
County treasurer, dog tax	71	26
County treasurer, for roads	500	00
County treasurer	10	00
Clerk of County Court	145	90
Orange Savings Bank, on note No. 7.	2500	00
Orange Savings Bank, library fund	14	38
Treasurer of School Department for		

Massachusetts Teacher's retire-				
ment Board	112	25		
E. S. Putnam, pool table license	2	00		
William Childs, pool table license	2	00		
T. W. Whelpley, auctioneer's license	2	00		
Sealer of weights and measures	6	81		
Town of Greenfield, aid rendered	199	30		
Rent of hall	62	00		
Orange National Bank, interest	132	12		
B. & M. R. R., returned checks	9	46		
Harrison W. Ballard, cemetery fund.	24	44		
Jane E. Williams, cemetery fund	12	83		
Almone C. Locke, cemetery fund	10	86		
W. H. Sawyer, cemetery fund	6	32		
U. S. Treasurer, interest on Liberty				
loan	127	50		
U. S. Treasurer, interest on School				
Liberty loan	42			
E. Richardson, protested check	10			
E. L. Lewis, premium on insurance	3	32		
Frank E. Ballou, real estate taxes of				
1923	160			
Frank E. Ballou, poll taxes of 1923	157	00		
Elias Richardson, real estate taxes of				
1924	120			
Elias Richardson, poll taxes of 1924	8	00		
Elias Richardson, interest on taxes				
1924	2	92		
Elias Richardson, real estate taxes				
1925	10411			
Elias Richardson, poll taxes of 1925	214	00		
Elias Richardson, interest on taxes				
1925		36		
_			\$39720	73

#### PAYMENTS

Paid State Treasurer, state tax	\$1802	00		
Orange Savings Bank, note No. 7.				
and interest	2531	25		
Theodore W. Waddell, director of				
accounts	2	00		
County Treasurer, county tax	2014	78		
Massachusetts Teacher's retirement				
board	112	25		
Mary E. White, treasurer of school				
department, appropriation for				
schools	7013	27		
M. W. Carroll, deputy sheriff, cases				
2555, 2608, 2609, 2614, 2618	65	65		
W. F. Adams, deputy sheriff, cases of				
Granges and Fox	29	00		
Orange Savings Bank, for library				
books for library		26		
Books for library		38		
Interest on school Liberty loan		50		
Orange National Bank	49	03		
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			\$13747	01
880 orders amounting to			14126	70
Cash on hand			11846	66
			\$39720	78

Respectfully submitted,

FRED C. WHITE, Town Treasurer.

Wendell, Mass., February 20, 1926.

This is to certify that I have examined the books and reports of Fred C. White, town treasurer and find them correct.

MARION E. WHITNEY, Auditor.

### Town Clerk's Report

#### TOWN OFFICERS

#### SELECTMEN

Charles M. Ballou Wendell
Ozro D. Baker Farley
Charles H. Jennison Locks Village

#### OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Charles M. Ballou Wendell
Ozro D. Baker Farley
Charles H. Jennison Locks Village

#### TOWN CLERK

Tremaine W. Whelpley Wendell

#### TOWN TREASURER

Fred C. White Wendell Depot

#### TAX COLLECTOR

Elias Richardson Wendell

#### ASSESSORS

Tremaine W. Whelpley, Clerk	Term expires	1928
Ozro D. Baker	Term expires	
Charles M. Ballou, Chairman	Term expires	1926

#### AUDITOR

Marion E. Whitney Wendell Depot

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Mildred W. Fiske	Term expires 1928
Mary E. White, Secretary	Term expires 1927
Emma Wood, Chairman	Term expires 1926

#### CONSTABLE

Leon O. Taylor

Wendell

#### CEMETERY COMMISSIONERS

John B. Quist	Term expires	1928
Charles H. Jennison	Term expires	1927
Charles M. Ballou	Term expires	1926

#### LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Charles M. Ballou	Term expires	1928
Frank E. Ballou	Term expires	1927
Effie L. Bowen	Term expires	1926

#### TREE WARDEN

George E. Mills Wendell

#### SURVEYORS OF WOOD, BARK AND LUMBER

Charles H. Jennison
George A. Merchant
Curtis E. Tucker

Locks Village
Not qualified
Wendell

FIELD DRIVERS

Glenn O. Ellis Wendell Henry P. Champlin Wendell

FENCE VIEWERS

George E. Mills Wendell
Curtis E. Tucker Wendell
William H. Ballou Not qualified

#### APPOINTED OFFICERS

#### SUPERINTENDENT OF ROADS

Charles H. Jennison Locks Village

#### FOREST WARDEN

Curtis E. Tucker Wendell

#### INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

Charles A. Fiske Wendell

#### INSPECTORS OF SLAUGHTERED MEAT

Charles A. Fiske Wendell
George A. Strong Farley

#### TOWN WEIGHER

Curtis E. Tucker

Wendell

#### SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Curtis E. Tucker

Wendell

#### POLICE OFFICERS

Ernest S. Putnam

Wendell Depot

## Town Clerk's Report

#### APPROPRIATIONS FOR YEAR 1925

Town Debts and Charges	\$2000	00		
Highways, maintenance	3525	00		
State Improved Road	500	00		
Snow Bills	750	00		
Bridges	1000	00		
Schools by Taxation	5500	00		
Schools from Treasury	1500	00		
Electric Lights	60	00		
Memorial Day	50	00		
Library	100	00		
County Aid to Agriculture	35	00		
School Nurse	250	00		
Bonding Town Officers	75	00		
Workman's Insurance	200	00		
Tax Collector	150	00		
Tree Warden	50	00		
Suppression of Moths	300	00		
Kitchen for Town Hall	300	00		
Fire Tower in Shutesbury	200	00		
Reseeding Common	150	00		
Total -			\$16695	00

## Town Clerk's Report

# VITAL STATISTICS FOR THE TOWN OF WENDELL FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1925

#### BIRTHS REGISTERED

Date Name and Place of Birth

Parents

#### **JANUARY**

5 Alberta Alice Taylor Wendell Warren E. Taylor Maud A. Carey

#### APRIL

2 Ruth Doris Locke Montague Jesse E. Locke Elizabeth R. Clifford

#### JULY

5 Helen Vera Carey

Lawrence Guy Carey Hattie (Taylor) Carey

14 Edith Geraldine Reed

Walter L. Reed Edith M. Cleary

#### SEPTEMBER

3	Dorothy Arline Wet	herby	Plin H. W Edith J	Tetherby Taylor
19	Doris Viola Turner	OCTOBER	James M. Stella M.	
21	Arline Faith Mercha Wendell	ant	Adelbert C. P. M Maude E	
23	Dorothy Alicia Brev Greenfield	ver	Nelson A. Alice A. Da	
		NOVEMBE	m R	
26	Phyllis Lorraine Beg Wendell	gor	Clarenc Rachel A	ce Begor . Adams
	Comparisons of	births for the	he past five year	S.
1920	) 1921	1922	1923	1924
8	13	10	6	12

#### MARRIAGES REGISTERED

Da	te	Place	Names
Jan.	22	Wendell	Joseph Charles Bacigalupo and Henrietta Louise Fox
Feb.	20	Wendell	Jesse Ephraim Locke and Eliza- beth R. Clifford

May	20	Athol	Herbert A. Hook and Beatrice
June Oct.		Cambridge Richmond, N. H.	Tetrault Florence Austin B. Cook and Eva M. Carey Andrew Fox and Elizabeth Tynan

Comparison of marriages for the past five years.

1920	1921	1922	1923	1924
5	3	7	7	3

DEATHS REGISTERED						
Date	Name	Age	Diseas	se		
April 16	Adelia Gale	57 years	Organic H	eart Disease		
April 18	Ruth D. Locke	18 days	Impetigo	Conta-		
Oct. 28	Dorothy Alicia Brew	er 6 days	Acute Ent	gissa eritis		
Co	emparison of deaths	for the pas	st five year	s.		
1920 5		022	1923 10	1924 9		

Any person noticing errors or omissions in the foregoing records will confer a favor by making it known to the Town Clerk at once, that he may make correction on the town records. Any blanks needed for making returns of births, marriages or deaths may be had by applying at this office.

#### JURORS DRAWN 1925

Feb. 14 Michael E. Cannon		No o	ccupat	
John W. Moran			Labo	orer
Oct. 17 Fred C. White			Farr	ner
Number of persons liable for military duty				53
Number of women over 21 years of age				89
Number of Dog Licenses issued:				
40 Males at \$2.00	\$80	00		
7 Females at \$5.00	35	00		
11 Spayed at \$2.00	22	00		
-				
	\$137	00	•	
Fees 58 at 20c	11	60		
Paid County Treasurer			\$125	40
Number of Fishing and Game Licenses issu	ed:			
25 Combination at \$2.00	\$50	00		
25 Hunting and Trapping at \$1.50	37	50		
13 Fishing at \$1.00	13	00		
1 Minor Trapping at 25c		25		
1 Non-Resident Fishing at \$2.00	2	00		
· -				
	\$102	75		
65 licénses at 25c	16	25		
Paid Division of Fisheries and Game			\$86	50

Respectfully,

TREMAINE W. WHELPLEY, Town Clerk.

#### REPORT ON HEDGE HOG BOUNTY

Alburn Fiske, killed 15	\$ 7	50		
Arthur Taylor, killed 14	7	00		
Fred A. Fox, killed 2	1	00		
R. A. Shirley, killed 9	4	50		
George A. Strong, killed 64	32	00		
John Wirth, killed 2	1	00		
E. R. Gale, killed 2	1	00		
Robert Ellis, killed 17	8	50		
W. G. Brown, killed 9	4	50		
H. A. Hook, killed 1		50		
A. S. Chapman, killed 6	3	00		
W. H. Ballou, killed 3	1	50		
Warren Taylor, killed 1		50		
Earl Freeman, killed 12	6	00		
Ernest Taylor, killed 3	1	50		
—			\$80	00
REPORT ON WILD CAT B	OUNT	ΓY		
Earl Freeman, killed 2	\$20	00		
George A. Strong, killed 1		00		
George A. Swong, kined 1			\$30	00
Farm Bureau Extension Service			\$35	00
Appropriation \$35.00			400	
Appropriation \$55.00				

#### EXPENSES SEEDING COMMON

#### Appropriation \$150.00

C. M. Ballou, for fertilizer	\$125	00		
Israel Ellis, labor and team	83	40		
H. P. Champlin, labor	7	50		
Orange Hardware Co., for grass seed	12	05		
_			\$227	95

# Report of the Cemetery Commissioners

Mary N. Phelps, bank book	\$219 157			
Jane E. Williams, bank book	105			
W. H. Sawyer, bank book	108	25		
Harrison W. Ballard, bank book	284	88		
Mark Bullard, Greenfield, bank book	104	55		
<del>-</del>			\$980	55
Accumulated interest drawn out			\$54	45

#### EXPENDED AS FOLLOWS

W. H. Lockwood, labor in Center ceme-		
tery	\$ 7	20
John B. Quist, labor in Center cemetery.	19	80
Stephen Sandberg, labor in Center ceme-		
tery	6	40
Orange Hardware Co., cement and bolts	1	05
C. M. Ballou, commissioner	10	00

George E. Gale, labor	00	
tery	00	
<u></u>	<del>-</del> .	\$54 45

JOHN B. QUIST, Chairman, Cemetery CHARLES M. BALLOU, CHARLES H. JENNISON, Commissioners.

February 22, 1926.

This is to certify that I have examined the report of the Cemetery Commissioners of the Town of Wendell for the year ending December 31, 1925, and found it correct.

MARION E. WHITNEY, Auditor.

## Report of Tax Collector for 1925

Warrant for poll taxes, 114 polls at \$2.00			\$228	00
Paid to treasurer to Feb. 6, 1926, cash	\$206	00		
Paid to treasurer to Feb. 6, 1926, abate-				
ments	8	00		
Cash on hand collected since Feb. 6, 1926.	2	00		
			\$216	00
Balance to be collected		~	\$12	00
Warrant for property taxes			\$10552	31
Paid to treasurer to Feb. 6, 1926, cash	\$10400	03		
Paid to treasurer to Feb. 6, 1926, abate-				
ments	11	38		
Cash on hand collected since Feb. 6, 1926.	16	25		
-			10427	66
Ralance to be collected			\$124	65

In addition to above:
Paid to treasurer to Feb. 6, 1926, interest. \$10 36

Cash on hand collected since Feb. 6, 1926, interest. 44

\$10 80

Respectfully submitted,

#### ELIAS RICHARDSON,

Collector of Taxes for the Town of Wendell, Mass.

Wendell, Mass., Feb. 16, 1926

This is to certify that I have examined the books and report of Elias Richardson, tax collector, and find them correct.

MARION E. WHITNEY, Auditor.

# Assessors' Report

Number of polls assessed	_
	3
Number assessed on polls only 2	-
Number of horses assessed9	5
Number of cows assessed	2
Number of sheep assessed	7
Number of neat cattle other than cows 4	8
Number of swine assessed	5
Number of fowls assessed	
Number of acres of land assessed 160367	8
Assessed value of personal property\$371916 00	
Assessed value of real estate 439792 00	
\$811708 0	0
Tax on personal property \$4834 94	
Tax on real estate 5715 42	
Tax on polls	
Total amount raised by taxation \$10776 3	6
Rate per thousand	0

CHARLES M. BALLOU,
OZRO D. BAKER,
TREMAINE W. WHELPLEY,
Wendell.

# Financial Report of the Wendell Free Public Library

#### RECEIPTS

Town appropriation	\$100 00	
Dog tax		
Amount in bank January 1, 1925	73 03	
Interest on money in bank	2 23	
Fines on books	2 76	
Magazines sold	1 50	
Books sold	55	
******		\$251 33

#### DISBURSEMENTS

A. R. Womrath, books	\$	63
Library Replacement Bureau, books	]	00
Magazines (American, Good Housekeep-		
ing, Woman's Home Companion,		
Popular Mechanics)	8	75
Munsey's magazine	:	00
Librarian's salary	52	00
Screens for cellar windows	5	3 50

Freight, postage and transportation on		
books and pictures	\$ 1 47	
Postage and stationery for librarian	67	
Oil	18	
Reverted to town treasury	44 50	
In hands of librarian	2 49	
Amount in bank January 1, 1926	132 14	
_		\$251 33

#### Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES M. BALLOU, Chairman,	Trustees of
FRANK E. BALLOU,	the Wendell
EFFIE L. BOWEN, Secretary,	Free Library.

February 22, 1926.

This is to certify that I have examined the report of the Trustees of Wendell Free Library and it appears to be correct.

MARION E. WHITNEY, Auditor.

### Report of the Librarian

#### TO THE TRUSTEES OF WENDELL FREE LIBRARY:

There is not much to report for the year. A few new books have been purchased, and the state library commission presented us with 45 books for the children. Other gifts were 250 years of Northfield, by the town of Northfield. A souvenir of Massachusetts Legistators by G. M. Underwood of Orange. Revised edition of the Constitution of the United States given by unknown friend. Birds of Massachusetts and New England, from the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. E. D. Austin of this town gave us a book of fiction entitled a Busy Year at the old Squire's.

The traveling library has been discontinued as Miss Chandler did not feel able to do the work longer.

We received two very interesting sets of pictures during the year. One set was scenes from Maine to Virginia. The other was pictures of wild beasts.

I would like to suggest that people sending children to the library after books send a bag to put them in as the children are very apt to drop the books and soil and otherwise injure them.

If the people taking out books from the library would come and choose their books themselves it would give me more time for other necessary work.

We have sold books and magazines during the year	to the
amount of \$2.05 and have received from fines \$2.76.	Some
fines remain unpaid.	
Total circulation for the year	2348
Largest day's circulation, September 12	77
Smallest day's circulation, August 1	20

Respectfully submitted,

MARION E. WHITNEY, Librarian.

#### BOOKS ADDED DURING THE YEAR

Mary Marie, Eleanor H. Porter; A Gentleman of Courage. James O. Curwood; Laramie Holds the Range, Frank H. Spearman; The Man in the Twilight, Ridgwell Cullum; The Hemlock Avenue Mystery, Roman Doubleday; Torchy, Sewall Ford; How Leslie Loved, Anne Warner; The Man in Lonely Land. Kate Langley Bosher; The Desert of Wheat, Zane Grey; The Heritage of Peril, A. W. Marchmont; The Bars of Iron, Ethel M. Dell: The Insidious Dr. Fu Manchu, Sax Rohmer: Nedra. George Barr McCutcheon: The Vindication of Robert Creighton. Daniel Frederick Fox; Then I'll Come Back to You, Larry Evans; The Flaming Forest, James O. Curwood; The One Woman, Thomas Dixon, Jr.; The Sherrods, George Barr McCutcheon; Doctor Luke of the Labrador, Norman Duncan; The Owner of the Lazy D, William P. White; The Hearts Highway, Mary E. Wilkins; The Tin Soldier, Temple Bailey; Lady Rose's Daughter, Mrs. Humphrey Ward; The Heart of the Desert, Honore Wilkie: Michel Gulpe, Everit Bogert Terhune; Kitchener's Mob, James Norman Hall; The Woman in the Alcove, Anna K. Green; When God Laughs, Jack London; Rainbow Valley, L. M. Montgomery: A Busy Year at the Old Squires, C. A. Stephens; Birds of Massachusetts and New England, E. H. Forbush; Kazan, James Oliver Curwood; 250 years of Northfield; a Souvenir of Massachusetts Legislature, A. M. Bridgman; The Constitution of the United States, Hon. James M. Beck; Stammering, its cause and cure, B. N. Bogue.

The following books were sent us by the state library commission: The Promised Land, Mary Antin; Children of the Arctic, Josephine D. Peary; The Snow Baby, Josephine D. Peary; Hero Stories from American History, Albert F. Blaisdell and Francis K. Ball; The Stars and their Stories, Alice M. M. Griffith; The Friendly Stars, Martha Evans Martin; Keeping up with Science, Edward E. Slosson; Sinopah, the Indian Boy,

James W. Schultz; Short Stories from American History, Albert F. Blaisdell and Francis K. Ball; Blue Magic, Edith Ballinger Price; The Dove in the Eagle's Nest, Charlotte Yonge; Thunder Boy, Olaf Baker; What Katy Did, Susan Coolidge; Days of the Discoverers, A. Lamprey; Abraham Lincoln, James Baldwin; A Boy at Gettysburg, Elsie Singmaster; Jimmie, the Story of a Bear Cub, Ernest Harold Baynes; The Weaver's Children, Eva Wilkins; The Pool of Stars, Cornelia Meigs; Around the World with the Children, Frank Carpenter; Little Jarvis, Molly E. Seawell; The Singing World, Louis Untermeyer; Bird Stories, Edith M. Patch; Boy's Life of Abraham Lincoln, Helen Nicolay; Five Little Strangers, Julia Augusta Schwartz; The Pearl Lagoon, Charles Nordhoff; The Story of Grenfell of the Labrador, Dillon Wallace; On the Trail of Grant and Lee, Frederick Trevor Hill; Sara Creve, Frances Hodgson Burnett: The Pied Piper of Hamlin, Robert Browning; The Lonesome Doll, Abbie Farwell Brown; Jack among the Indians, George Bird Grinnell; Merrylips, Beulah Marie Dix; What Katy did at School, Susan Coolidge; Doctor Doolittle's Post Office, Hugh Lofting; When we were Very Young, A. A. Milne; The Silver Tarn, Katharine Adams; Hari, the Jungle Lad, Dhan Gopal Mukerji; Anne's Terrible Good Nature, E. V. Lucas; Everyday Mysteries, Charles Greeley Abbot; Captain Courageous, Rudyard Kipling.

### Report of School Department

FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1925

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE

MRS. EMMA WOOD, Chairman MRS. MARY E. WHITE, Secretary MRS. MILDRED FISKE Term expires 1926 Term expires 1927 Term expires 1928

#### SUPERINTENDENT

DAVID F. CARPENTER Millers Falls Towns in union: Erving, Leverett, Shutesbury, Wendell.

#### SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

MYRTLE E. MacKAY

Orange

#### SCHOOL NURSE

GENEVIEVE C. KEOUGH

Orange

#### SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

F. E. JOHNSON, M. D.

Erving

#### ATTENDANCE OFFICER

#### DEPUTY M. W. CARROLL

Millers Falls

#### FINANCIAL STATEMENT

School fund in Orange Savings Bank \$ 347 81

This is the stange bavings bank	# 941 OI	
Third Liberty Loan	1000 00	
		\$1347 81
RECEIPTS WHICH GO TO THE	TOWN TREA	ISURY
NOT TO SCHOOL DEPA	RTMENT	
1,01 10 0011001 2111		
School superintendent of small towns	. \$192 99	
Transportation of High school pupils		
Tuition of Shutesbury children		
Teachers' salaries reimbursement		
Todolicis salatios formo arso around		\$849 57
		ψΟ10 01
AVAILABLE FUN	IDS	
AVAIDABLE FOR	(D)	
Town appropriation March 1925	\$7000.00	
Interest on Third Liberty Loan		
Refunds	. 13 27	
		\$7055 77
DISBURSEMEN	TS	
Salaries of Teachers	\$2679 23	

Transportation.....

Salary of superintendent....

1994 32

312 50

Travelling expense of superintendent	\$56 04	Ł
Salary of school committee	90 00	)
Medical inspection	15 00	)
Fuel and fitting	167 00	)
Books and supplies	119 42	
Care of buildings	61 78	,
Repairs	151 11	
Tuition	1275 87	•
Miscellaneous	$133 \ 53$	,
		- \$7055 77

# ITEMIZED EXPENDITURES SALARIES OF TEACHERS

Mrs. F. Grew	. \$950	00	
Mae Ellison	. 820	73	
Anna Hanley	. 444	48	
Evelyn Stern		52	
Myrtle MacKay	. 108	50	
			\$2670

\$2679 23

#### TRANSPORTATION

Arthur Glidden	\$220 50
Lena Gale	242 50
Mrs. Albert Merchant	462 00
Wendell Depot Garage	$220 \ 00$
Anthony Stone	19 05
Arlene Cheney	15 24
Mrs. J. A. Sandberg	55 20
Mrs. Chas. Bean	121 50
George Wetherby	95 10
Eunice Brown	12 68

Edwin Austin Charles Gale Albion Fiske Mrs. Charles Morey W. J. Martin Lewis Wetherby Francis Wetherby Evelyn Ellis John Wirth	\$159 75 177 50 22 80 35 50 22 50 37 20 37 20 21 90 16 20	\$1994	32
CATADY OF SUDEDINGEN	TDEMO		
SALARY OF SUPERINTEN	IDENT		
David F. Carpenter		\$312	50
TRAVELLING EXPENSE OF SUPP	ERINTEN	DENT	
David F. Carpenter		\$56	04
SALARY OF SCHOOL COM	MITTEE		
Mary E. White, Secretary	\$50 00		
Emma Wood, Chairman	25 00		
Mildred Fiske	15 00.		
		\$90	00
MEDICAL INSPECTION	ON	6	
F. E. Johnson, M. D		\$15	00
FUEL AND FITTING	G		
H. E. Thompson	\$60 00 1 50		

Arthur Glidden	\$50 00		
C. H. Jennison	17 50		
Israel Ellis	38 00		
<del>-</del>		\$167	00
•			
BOOKS AND SUPPLE	IES		
Laidlaw Bros	\$ 3 16		
McNight and McNight	11 52		
Milton Bradley Co	3 70		
Kenney Bros. and Wolkins	4 66		
John C. Winston Co	18 90	•	
McMillian Co	2 88		
Pub. School Publishing Co	2 81		
Harris and Gilpatric	12 <b>2</b> 3		
J. L. Hammett Co	39 63		
F. M. Ambrose Co	3 98		
Newson and Co	2 65		
Ginn & Co	9 60		
World Book Co	2 35		
Edward E. Babb & Co	1 35		
_		\$119	42
• CARE OF BUILDING	GS		
Lewis Wetherby	\$14 25		
John Wirth	9 90		
Mae Ellison	16 90		
Mrs. Edna Dunican	10 60		
Grace Carey	2 80		
Charles Wirth	7 30		
		\$61	75

#### REPAIRS

	•
Patrons Paint Works	\$52 50
Orange Hardware Co	13 00
Arthur Glidden	37 50
Robert F. Wood	42 50
Emma Wood	5 61
Think wood.	\$151 11
,	\$131 11
TUITION	
Town of Erving elementary school, fif-	
teen pupils	\$199 00
Town of Erving, elementary school, eight	
pupils	71 00
Town of Orange, elementary school, six-	
teen pupils	380 73
Town of Orange, elementary school, one	300 .0
pupil	18 41
Town of New Salem, elementary school,	10 11
one pupil	91 46
	312 75
Town of Orange, High School, five pupils	108 00
Town of Orange, High school, three pupils	108 00
Town of New Salem, High school, five	04 50
pupils	94 52
· -	\$1275 87
MISCELLANEOUS	
Wallace Brown, transporting stove from	@ <b>1</b> 00
Wendell Depot	\$1 00
Curtis Tucker, balance on two brooms,	
matches	71
Fred C. White, repairing and putting up	
stove and curtains, N. W. school	2 00

Frank N. York, moving stove and pipe,		
cleaning pipe and chimney, N. W.	*	
school	\$ 5	00
David F. Carpenter, office expense	6	21
Andrews Paper Co., one case paper towels	8	00
Orange Savings Bank, interest Third		
Liberty Loan	42	50
Fred C. White, transportation to joint		
board meeting also to teachers'		
convention	-	00
Mary E. White, school census 1925	5	00
Robert F. Wood, washing floor, blacking		
stove, etc	3	11
Mary E. White, refreshments, Centre and		
West Schools at graduation	2	02
Emma Wood, bible for Centre school	1	50
Scott Studio, framed portrait of Mrs.		
Stearns	9	50
Earle Freeman, transporting desk and		
parcels of books	5	07
Boston Dry Goods Store, cretonne for		
West School	1	95
Benson Bros., shades for Westschool	1	50
Charles Fiske, transportation of Miss		
Stern, delivery of trunk	2	64
Sears Roebuck and Co., desk for Centre		
School	23	95
F. E. Thompson, broom for N. W. school	1	00
Plin Wetherby, keys bought by him for		
Centre school returned		70
Wright and Potter, Printing Co., treasury		
warrants	2	14
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Mildred Fiske, express on package  Mary E. White, water pail, express, tele-	\$ 62	
phone, etc	2 41	
		<b>\$</b> 133 53

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. WHITE,
EMMA WOOD,
MILDRED M. FISKE,
School
Committee of
Wendell.

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This is to certify that I have examined the books and report of Mary E. White, secretary of the school committee of the town of Wendell and find them correct.

MARION E. WHITNEY, Auditor.

February 15, 1926.

# Report of the Superintendent of Schools

#### TO THE SCHOOL BOARD OF WENDELL:

During the year 1925 there has been expended for schools in Wendell a little more than \$7000. In round numbers the following distribution is fairly accurate:

Center School	\$2300	Cost per pupil,	\$82.50
West School	1150	Cost per pupil,	94.00
North West School	1575	Cost per pupil,	157.50
Elementary Schools out of			
Town	1125		
High School	850		
The Center school has a		otal chaifly on s	ccount

The Center school has a large total, cheifly on account of transportation, but the lowest cost per pupil.

In the last annual report the general arguments for a central school were quite fully and clearly set forth and there is really little valid argument against such a school in the abstract. In making practical application in any place difficulties arise. The people of any vicinity where a school has been maintained, perhaps for many generations, strongly regret and resent its closing for reasons both practical and sentimental, People with children seeking homes in the country are much influenced by the nature and location of the schools. Most of them want

a school near, although the number is increasing who realize the value of a central school within reasonable transporting distance.

One difficulty lies in the fact that no distance is reasonable unless the road is good. It is no criticism of any highway department to say that for modern ideas of traveling country roads are not good or are good only a small part of the time. The prosperity of a town as well as the location of its schools is greatly dependent on the condition of its highways, Roads, good all the year around, built through all sections of the town which it is worth while to keep open for permanent homes would certainly help to attract desirable citizens and probably would be worth more that for purpose than a local school as compared with a central one, if the circumstances are such that the local school must be small and expensive.

These statements are not intended as arguments on either side so much as a statement of pertinent facts to supplement last year's report and which may be of help in making decisions. Population shifts so much that we are frequently faced with the problem of dividing a large school or closing a small one. Just at present a central school would be too large for one teacher, but not very large for two. There is no claim that a centralized plan would save money for the town. It would cost as much, but probably not much more than the present arrangement. The building at the Center is of such size and shape that it can easily be made into a two-room building by changing partitions, possibly adding an entrance hall. This change would be of some advantage even if only one room were in use, for it should be more convenient and better lighted as well as easier to heat.

The estimates submitted cover in full the probable cost for 1926 of the schools as they are and include school nurse and physician. The schools and community are getting excellent service from the Red Cross nurse whose report is included and who has been paid by selectmen's orders. The only reason for including it with school costs is that the law requires the school committee to hire a nurse and direct her time and the State Department may call the board's attention to the matter.

With appreciation and thanks for all the good will and kindness shown, this report is respectfully submitted,

D. F. CARPENTER.

#### STATISTICS FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1925

School	Teacher	${ m No.} \ { m Enrolled}$	Ave. Mem.	Ave. Att.	% Att. I	Tdy. Mks.
Center West N West	Emma Crew Anna Hanley Mae Ellison	31 15 12	28.3 11.6 9.7	26.2 10.8 8.3	92.7 91.9 85	8 13 21
111 11 000		58	49.6	45.3	91	42

#### REGISTRATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF MINORS

#### Census of April, 1, 1925

	5-7	7-14	14-16
Boys	9	27	6
Girls	10	30	5
	-		—
	19	57	11
In school	7	57	10
Not in school	12	0	1
	_	-	
	19	57	11
Number in High School			4
Number in Elementary Schools, other	towns		16
Number Schools			3
Number Weeks			36
Number Days			173

#### GRADUATES, JUNE, 1925

Helen Drozdowski John C. Wirth Evelyn Ellis Evelyn Major Albion F ske Francis Wetherby

Louis Wetherby

#### NOT ABSENT OR TARDY

For the Year

Lillian Carey

#### For Half Year

Albion Fiske Francis Wetherby Louis Wetherby Delphene Fox Dora Taylor Rupert Goddard Leon Wetherby Alton Hibbard Peggy Robinson Myrtle Taylor

Thelma Bartlett

## School Health Report

January 16, 1926.

MR. D. F. CARPENTER,

Supt. of Schools

Millers Falls, Mass.

Dear Mr. Carpenter:

I am pleased to submit to you this annual report of the school nursing for the town of Wendell.

I am sure a brief summary of the work done in the past year will be of interest to all who will read this report. The children of the center school were examined by Dr. Blandford, school dentist and found to need a great deal of dental work. In figuring up the cost of this work it amounted to \$150.00, the full cost if the work were done at his office would amount to over \$300.00. You can see the great need there is in this school if these children are to be given the best chance for health. If the first five grades could be taken care of the expense all through the school years would be greatly lessened and the benefit to these children greater than we can estimate. We

were unable to have the dental clinic there last year owing to lack of funds.

Two dental clinics were held at the West School. Seven children received treatment, some of them needed so much it was necessary for them to be treated at both clinics. No work is ever done for the children without a written permission from the child's parents.

Dr. Johnson's (school physician) examination of the children in the Center School disclosed the following defects. Defective throat 3, teeth 22, nose 1, glands 0, eyes 4, 10 per cent and more underweight 4. At the Mormon Hollow School there were 5 with defective teeth, 1 defective throat. School was closed at the West end the day Dr. Johnson examined the children. They will probably be examined in spring.

Home visits have been made to report to the parents the result of the school physician's examination. Four children were taken to Greenfield to Dr. Millett for examination of eyes. The children have been inspected at school and Health and Hygiene taught. Twenty days are given to the Wendell schools during the school year. This time is divided as equally as possible, but when the roads are bad some visits are omitted and given at another time. Extra time is given by the Red Cross when necessary. The co-operation of parents, teachers, and the entire community is necessary to accomplish all that can be done to give the children the best opportunity possible to grow up healthy of mind and body, capable of making their lives successful and happy.

You will be interested to know I drove 11,502 miles in covering my district of six towns last year.

If we can find some way to have the Dental Clinics this year and see that every child has a chance to grow up with sound teeth we will be accomplishing something worth while. The children in the cities are in better physical condition because of the many opportunities to attend to defects in childhood. In Wendell we have a chance to have many of these opportunities if we make use of those within reach and we are near enough to hospitals to enable every one to secure treatment needed.

Respectfully submitted,

GENEVIEVE C. KEOUGH,

School and American Red Cross Nurse.















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